

## ***Crocodile Ridge Braid of 8 Strands***

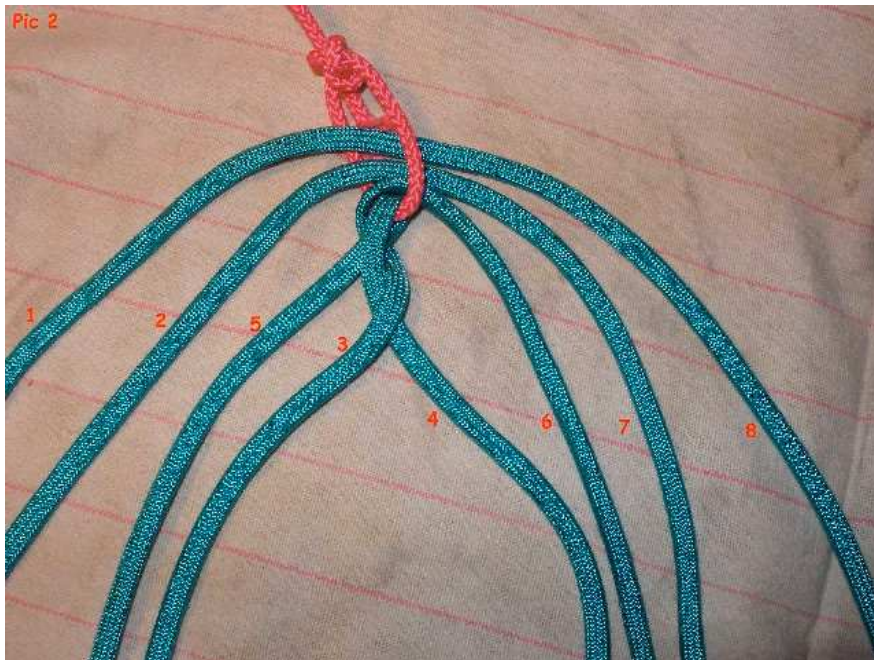
These pictures shown loose for better detail

Pic One



Bringing strand No. 4 to the right over strand No. 5 starts the eight-strand braid.

Pic 2



Strand No. 3 passes to the right under strands No. 4 and No. 5 and with a slight CW twist brought back to the left over strand No. 4.

Pic 3



Always work strands from alternating sides. Strand No. 6 is brought to the left under two strands and with a slight CCW twist is brought back to the right over one strand.

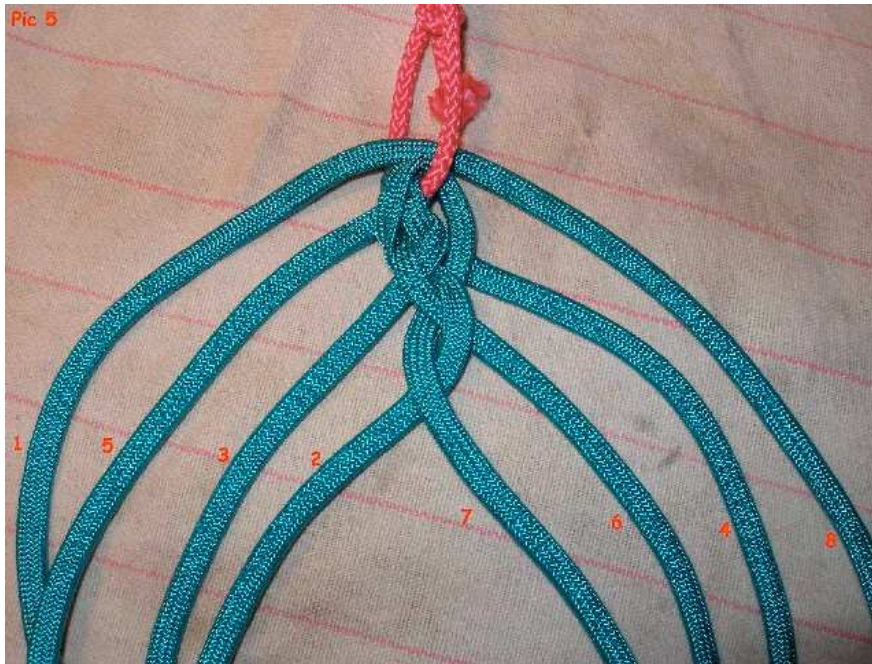
Pic 4



Strand No. 2 is brought from the left over one strand and under two, a slight CW twist and brought back to the left over one strand.

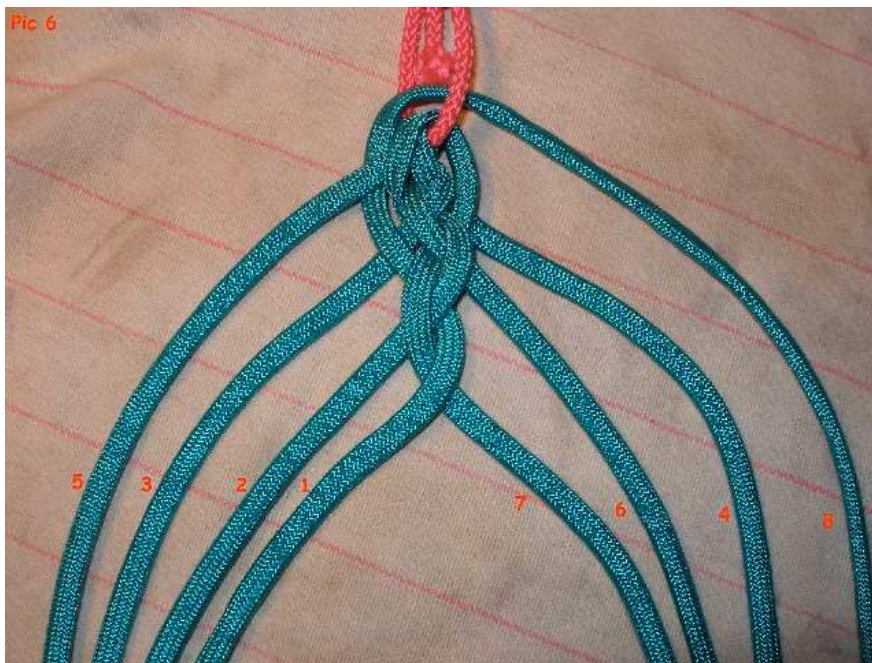


Pic 5



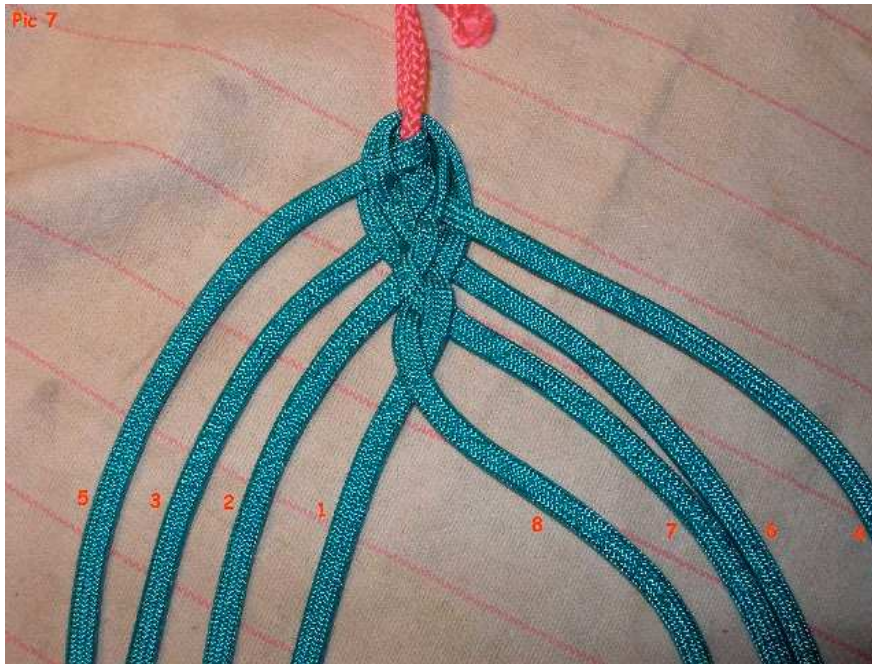
Strand No. 7 is brought from the right over one strand and under two, a slight CCW twist and brought back to the right over one strand

Pic 6



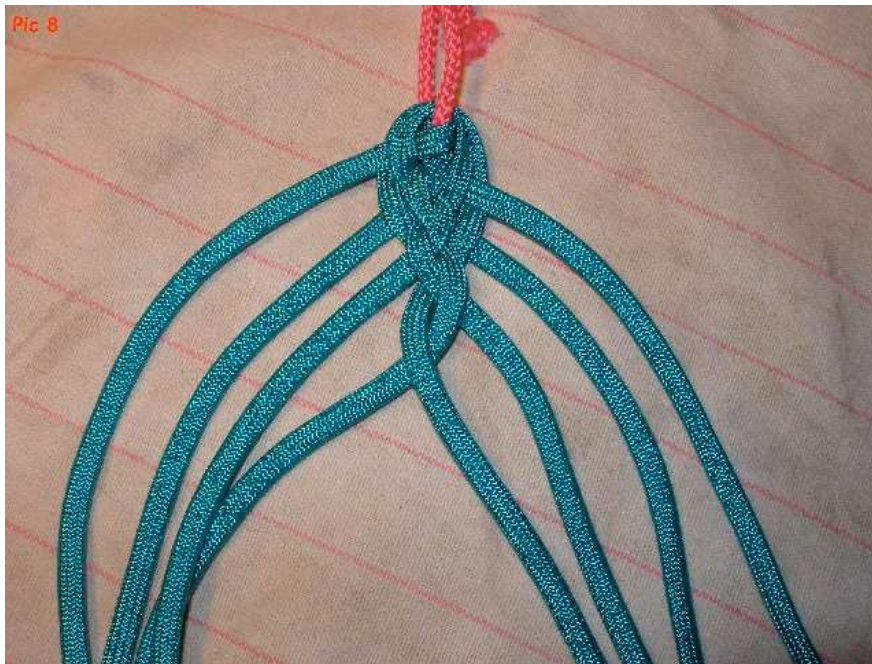
Strand No. one is brought from the left under one, over one and under two strands, a slight CCW twist and brought back to the left over one strand.

Pic 7



Strand No. 8 is brought from the right under one, over one and under two strands, a slight CW twist and brought back to the right over one strand.

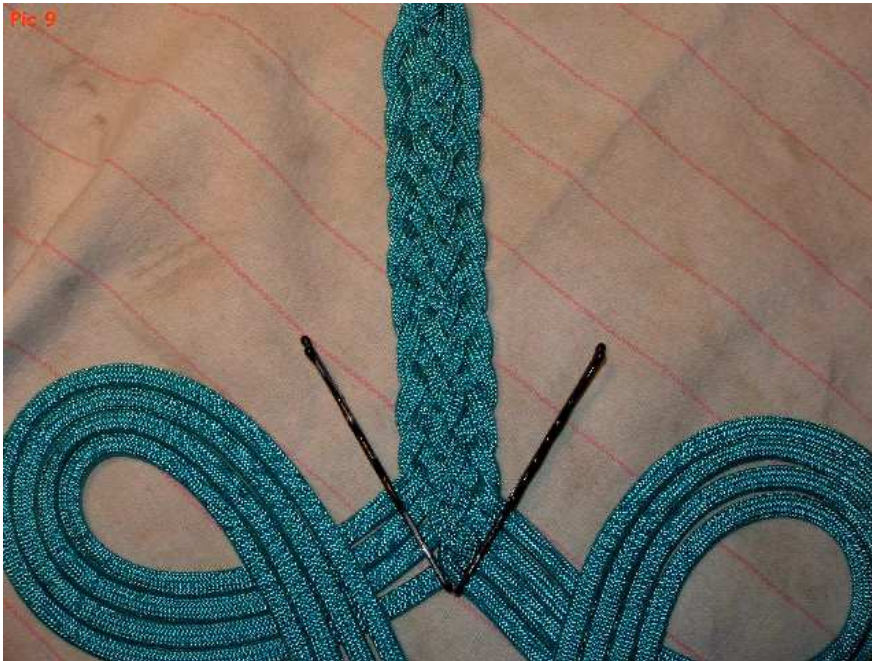
Pic 8



This completes one cycle of the Crocodile Ridge Braid. From here on the sequence is the same (alternating) for both sides: the outside strand is brought from, the left or right, under one strand, over one strand and under two strands, a slight, CCW or CW, twist and back the reverse direction over one strand.



Pic 9



After braiding several inches you will find it easier to do and you will see the pattern starting to show up. Be sure to keep the tension on all of the strands even while braiding. This one braid that will really not look well if the tension is irregular. Braid the desired length for the project and terminate as desired. The slight CCW and CW twists should also be done as evenly as possible for a proper looking braid. You will get the feeling for the slight twist also after a few inches of braiding. This beautiful braid, made with one, two, three or more ridges on a flat-type braid foundation, is used for many purposes. As a flat type braid it can be used for belts, reins, hobbles, hatbands and etc., and as round braid for handle coverings.