Simple Macramé Bottle Holder
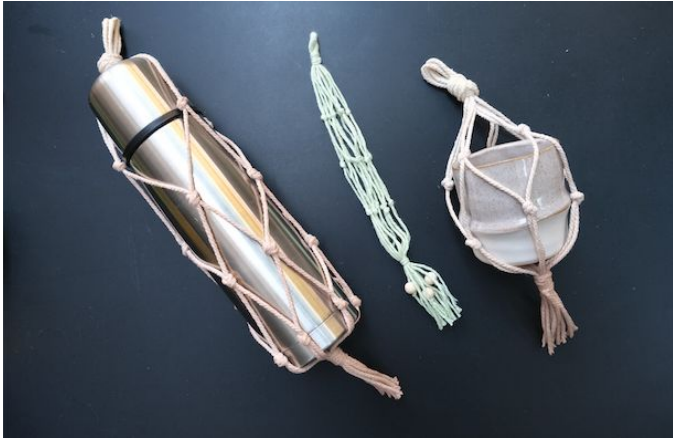
Difficulty: ★★☆☆☆ - Somewhat easy

Time: 40 minutes
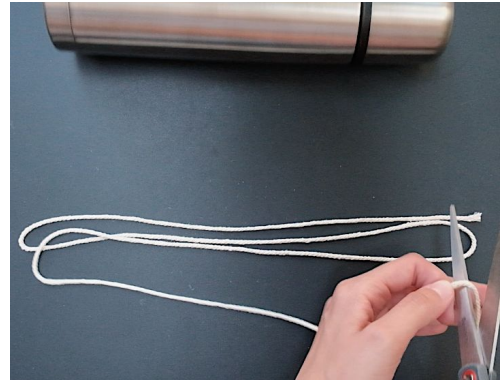

Materials

- ❏ Cord, jute, cotton yarn or other non-stretch yarn
- ❏ Bottle which is going to be stored in the macramé holder[1]
- ❏ Ruler
- ❏ Scissors
- ❏ Tape
- ❏ Carabiner or keyring (optional)
- ❏ Beads (optional)
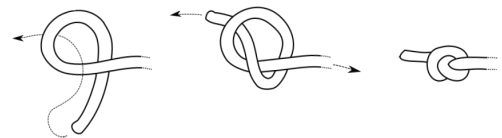- ❏ [Natural dyes](#) (optional)

Steps

1. Cut 5 pieces of cord 4 times the height of your bottle. For example, if your bottle is 8" tall, cut 5 cords about 32" long. It may be a bit longer, but not shorter!

2. Holding the cords together, fold them in half.

3. Tie a simple (*overhand*) knot at the top of the fold.
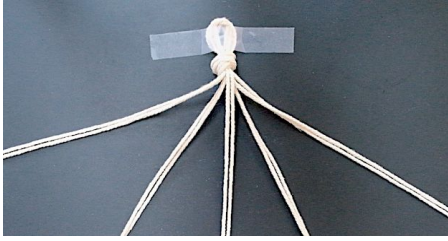

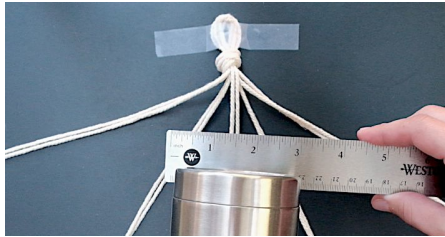This will be the top of your holder, the hanger part. Tidy up the knot by pulling the cords.

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[1] It can be a water bottle, hand sanitizer, sunscreen, or any other vessel of your choice.
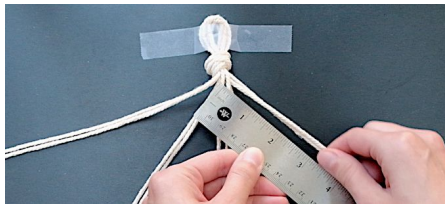
4.   Tape the knot down on a flat surface to keep it in place and separate the cords into 5 pairs.

5.   Measure the diameter of your bottle and tie each pair of cords about the same length below the top knot.
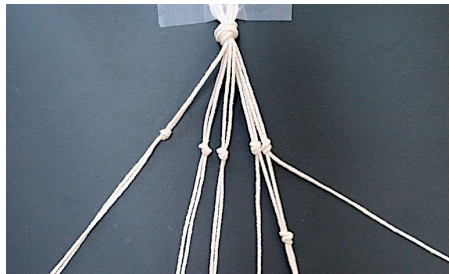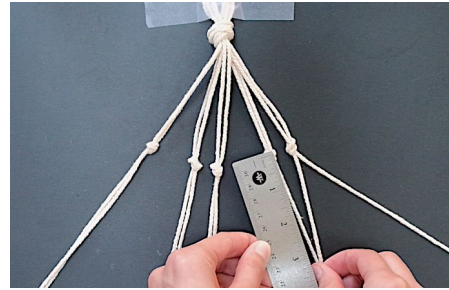

For example, if your bottle is 3" in diameter, tie a simple knot about 3" down.

6.   Repeat for each pair to complete the first row. Make sure the knots are at the same length from the top knot.
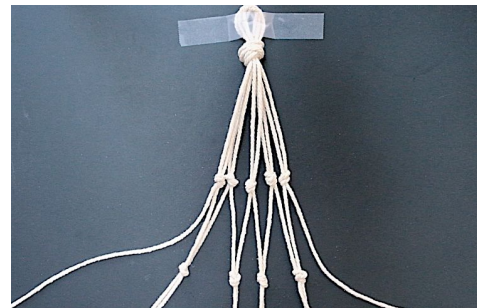

7.   Make another row of knots the same length down from the first row. For our example it's 3" down. Take one cord from the first pair and tie it to the nearest cord in the pair next to it using the same simple knot.

8.   At this point, you can check that your bottle fits in the opening. If it doesn't, just adjust your knots a little or stretch them out as much as you can.
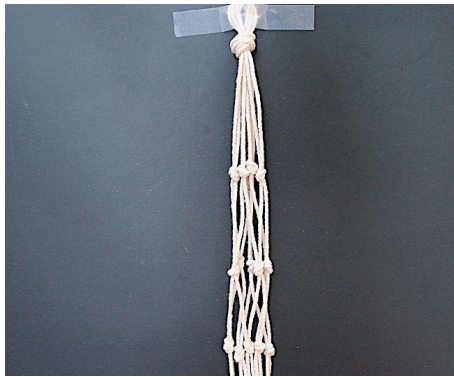

9.   Go all the way around until you have four knots at the same length in the second row.

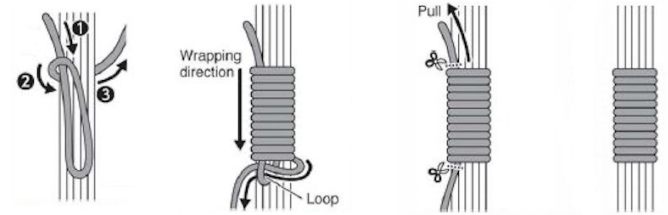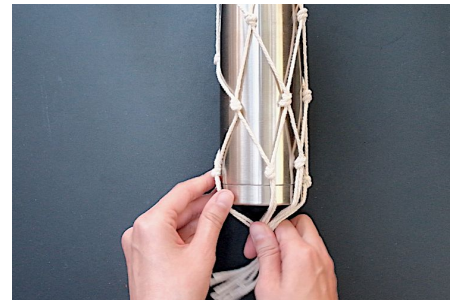10. Secure the remaining two outer cords with a simple knot. Now your holder has taken on a tubular shape.

11. Repeat the process of creating rows at the same distance from the previous row by pulling one cord from each pair and tying it to the nearest cord in the pair next to it with a simple knot.

12. Continue until it covers the full length of your bottle. Slide your bottle in to check, add more rows of knots if needed.
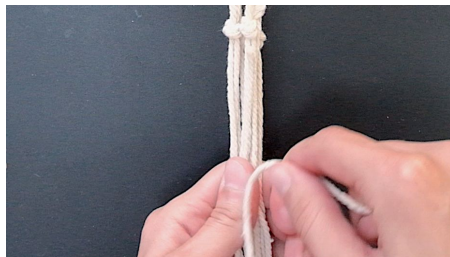

13. When you reach your desired length, make a *gathering* or *wrapped* knot at the end to hold the bottle in place, and finish off your holder with a nice tassel.
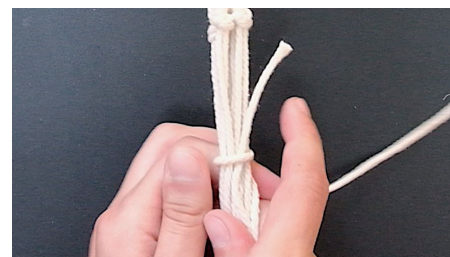

14. Cut a new cord at least 10 inches long and place it in position with one end pointing up toward the top of the holder.

15. Fold the cord about 2 inches below the starting point to create a loop and secure with your fingers where they intersect.

16. Wrap this cord around the bundle of cords.

17. After a few circles, poke the end of the wrapping cord through the loop.

18. Slowly pull the top end holding the other end together with the tassel. Pull tight until the loop disappears into the neck of the knot.
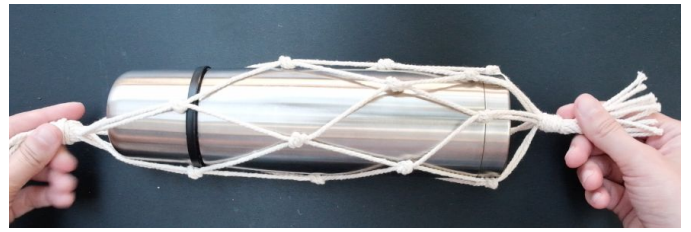

19. Once it has disappeared, cut off the top end as close to the neck as possible.

20. Trim the ends of the tassel to even them up.

Your bottle holder is ready!

Add a carabiner (or a keyring) to the top knot to make it easier to attach to anything.

Add beads if you like, or if you are using white or light-colored cord you can add some color with natural dyes!

Make it bigger or smaller to carry hand sanitizer, sunscreen, or water bottle! It can be easily transformed to a lot of things, including a plant hanger.