

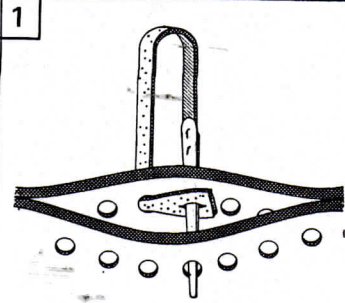
THE RUNNING STITCH

RECOMMENDED USAGE:

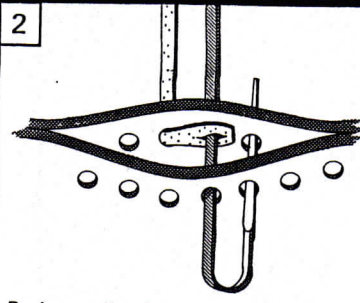
Small projects with little stress on seams.

Use 3/32" holes and 3/32" lace.

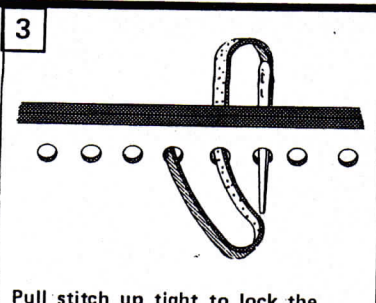
The Running Stitch uses 1½ times the length of lace to the length of your project. For example; if your project measures 2 ft. around the laced part, you will need 1½ times that amount of lace, or 3 ft. of lace.



1 Begin lacing just as you did for the Whip Stitch.

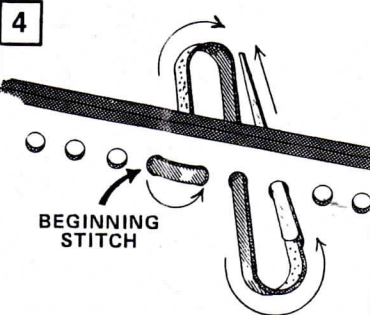


2 Push needle through the next hole from the back, through the slit and out through the opposite hole in front, as shown.

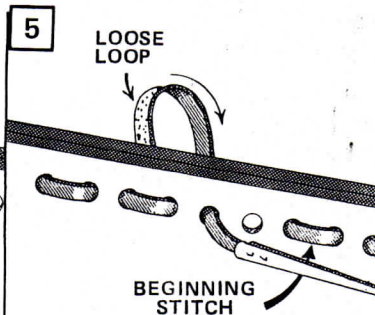


3 Pull stitch up tight to lock the lace. Push needle through next hole, being careful not to twist the lace.

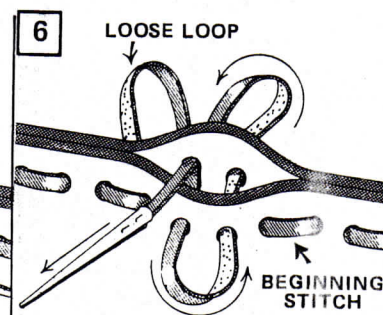
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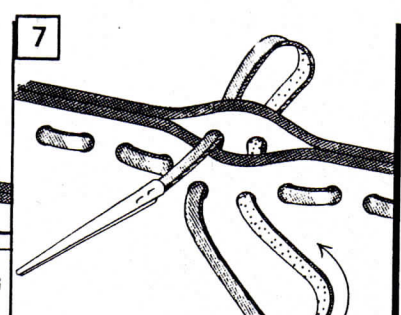
4 Pull this stitch up tight and continue lacing in and out the holes, pulling the stitches tight as you go.



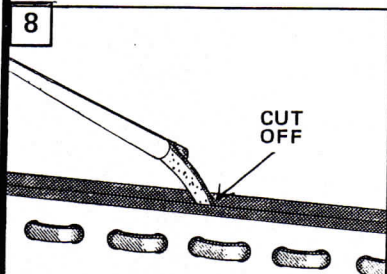
5 Lace to the last hole and leave a loose loop in the second to the last hole.



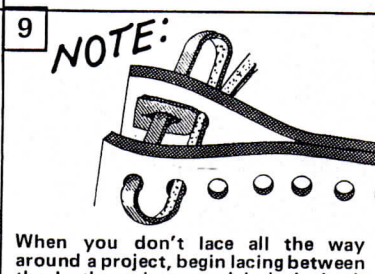
6 Push needle through last hole. Spread the leathers; push needle back through next to the last hole, bringing needle up between the leathers.



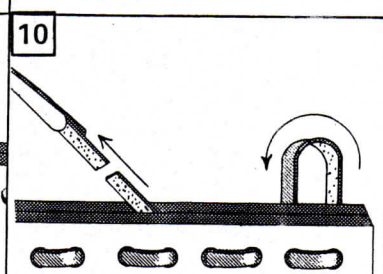
7 Pull the loose loop tight and continue pulling all the slack out of the lace.



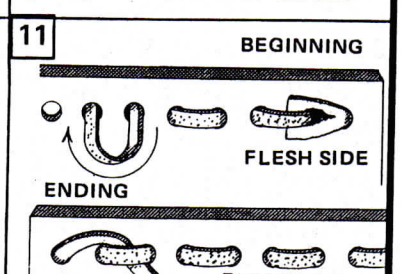
8 Pull all stitching up tight and pull the end of the lace tight. Cut off the end of the lace close to the leather and tap all lacing flat with a smooth mallet.



9 **NOTE:** When you don't lace all the way around a project, begin lacing between the leathers, in second hole in back only. Come through first hole in the back, through slit in the lace, and through first hole in front. Then lace through second hole (second time through back hole) and continue lacing as usual.



10 When tying off, go through next to last hole in back only and bring the lace up between the leathers and back a few stitches.



11 When using the Running Stitch on a single thickness, begin lacing from back side in first hole, then back through second hole and through slit in end of lace. End by running lace under last stitch on back.