

Using rope to make a bridge



Article Overview

A rope bridge can be built using strong ropes, secure anchor points, and either a simple suspension or A-frame design, ensuring safety and stability for foot traffic.

Materials Needed

- Strong rope (manila, nylon, or wire rope for durability)
- Wooden poles or A-frame supports
- Lashing ropes for securing connections
- Optional: handrails for balance and safety

Basic Design Options

- **Simple Suspension Bridge:** The deck rests on two parallel load-bearing ropes anchored at each end. Handrail ropes run parallel to the foot ropes for stability. This design is suitable for foot traffic and can span rivers or gorges without towers or piers.
- **Double A-Frame Bridge:** Construct two pairs of A-frames at each end of the span. Connect the foot rope between the A-frames and secure with lashings. Hand ropes can be added for balance. This design is ideal for shorter spans (up to 20-25 feet) and keeps the bridge low to the ground for safety.

Step-by-Step Construction

- **Set Up Anchor Points:** Choose sturdy trees, posts, or rocks. Ensure they can support the weight of the bridge and users.
- **Build Supports:** For A-frame bridges, construct four identical A-frames using 8-foot and 6-foot spars. Lash them tightly with square and round lashings. Join two A-frame...

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