< Korean Traditional Knot: Norigae>

*** Here is a Youtube tutorial about assembling this kit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lK8KSiS90KY&t=164s

The kit includes:
Threads for Norigae
Thin thread
Extra thread for practice
Norigae decoration
Dabbi (long stick)
Tassels

You will need:
Scissors
Wood glue
Sharp tool such as an awl
Needle or toothpick

Instructions:

- 1. Unwind threads for Norigae, thin threads, extra threads for practice. Pull them apart and separate using your nails to make them straight
- 2. Add wood glue to the both ends of the threads to keep them from coming untied
- 3. We will use the extra thread included in the kit to practice a wing knot.
- 4. Fold it in half to find a middle point of the thread
- 5. Put the right thread over the left and make a shape like number "9" using the right as shown in the picture

- 6. You will have three holes. Let's call the right hole 1, the middle hole 2, and the left hole 3.
- 7-1. Take the left thread and put it over the right thread. And then put it through hole 1 from bottom to top. And then put it through hole 2 from top to bottom.
- 7-2. Put it through hole 3 from bottom to top.
- 8-1. Make the completed wing knots smaller. Pull the left wing to make the right wing smaller.
- 8-2. Pull the right string (right leg) to make the left wing smaller (do the same to the opposite)
- 9. Place the left string over the right string, making the shape of a backwards number "9." .We call the right hole 3, the middle hole 2, and the left hole 1.
- 10. Take the right thread and put it over the left thread. And then put it thorugh hole 1 from down to up. And then put it through hole 2 from top to bottom. Put it through hole 3 from bottom to top..
- 11. Repeat the process of doing left and right until you get used to making wing knots
- 12. Once you get used to the process, grasp the thread for Norigae and thin thread (silver thread). Fold the thin thread in half and place it between the strings of Norigae. And then make wing knots using the threads.
- 13. Refer to step 6 and next steps to tie a right wing
- 14. Refer to step 10 and next steps to tie a left wing (make sure that the thin thread stays inside of the Norigae thread).
- 15. Tie wing knots until the thin thread reaches nearly to its end. (You can decide on the length of Norigae according to your personal preference.)
- 16. Place the threads on the side as shown in the video and make sure to lay the thin strings inside of the Norigae threads. Take the bottom string over the top string, making a shape like a backwards number "9."
- 17. Put it through the loop made from down to up
- 18. Tighten it to the size of your thumbnail by pulling on the string.
- 19. Take the bottom string and make a shape like a backwards number "9," and place it over the knot you made in step 20. Tighten it to the size of your thumbnail by pulling on the string
- 20. Take the bottom string and put it through the two loops you made.
- 21. Make sure that the two strings under the loops are parallel (like the number "11").
- 22. Pulling the bottom string to tighten the first loop
- 23. Insert the second loop into the knot that is made when tightening the first loop in the previous step. Pull the bottom string tight.



- 24. Make sure that the knot has "X" shape in the front and back. Tighten it up by pulling strings apart and ensure that there is no gap in the knot. Dorae knot completed!
- 25. Cut off the thin threads
- 26. Insert a Dabbi (long stick) into the Norigae decoration
- 27-1. Hang the Norigae threads on the hook of Dabbi
- 27-2. Pull Dabbi down to put the Norigae threads through the decoration. (You do it for each thread.)
- 28. Tie a Dorae knot over the decoration as a finishing knot
- 29. Refer to step 18 to see how to make Dorae knots. Tie the knot twice.
- 30. We are going to attach tassels to the decoration. The tassel that has the same color as the Norigae thread will be placed in the center. Grasp the tassel that has the same color as the Norigae thread
- 31. Insert the Dabbi into the tassel you chose in the previous step. And then hang the two Norigae threads on the hook of Dabbi. Pull Dabbi down to put the Norigae threads through the tassel.
- 32. Choose another tassel and place it to the left of the middle tassel. Hang only one of the Norigae threads on the hook of Dabbi. Pull Dabbi down to put the Norigae thread through the tassel.
- 33. Insert the Dabbi into the middle tassel. Take the Norigae thread coming out of the left tassel from step 34 and hang it on the hook of Dabbi. Pull Dabbi down to put the Norigae thread through the middle tassel.
- 34. Place the last tassel to the right of the middle one. Repeat the same process for it.
- 35. Once completed, pull the Norigae threads down tightly and fix the tassels
- 36. Hold the tassels tight and make finishing knots.
- 37. Cut off extra Norigae threads after making knots
- 38. Add wood glue to the both ends of the threads and the finishing knots to keep them from coming unraveled.
- 39. Wing Norigae completed!