Double Half Hitches Knotting Tutorial

Material
1 C-Lon Bead Cord Aqua 96” long folded in half
5 C-Lon Bead Cord Chestnut 48” long folded in half
10 1” T-pins
1 Tapestry needle
Knotting Board

Abbreviations
hh = half-hitch
dhh = double half-hitch
hdhh = horizontal double half-hitch
vdhh = vertical double half-hitch
rdhh = reverse double half-hitch
lark = lark’s head
rlark = reverse lark’s head
mk = mounting knot = rlark + 1 hh on each side
ac = core/anchor cords
kc = knotting cords
rc = running cord/s (main cord running back and forth in a specific design)

Preparation: Pin the aqua cord at its center fold using a slip knot.
1st row  Mount the chestnut cords at center fold with rlark and 1 hh on each side on the aqua cord. Option: mount the mk to a key ring.

2nd row  Place T-pin at end of row. Make a U-turn with the single long cord and knot a row of hdhh’s. The aqua cord is the ac, the chestnut cords are the kc’s.

When knotting the last dhh place the other end of the aqua cord between the 2 hh and behind the ac, cinching it behind the hh. (Keep the 2nd aqua cord cinched behind one of the hdhh bringing it slowly towards the right with each row). See this on the next picture.

Note on picture above on right how the ac is held at an angle for the second part of the dhh to keep the dhh close to the previous row.
3rd row  Place T-pin, make the U-turn with the ac and knot a row of hddh towards the right.

4-6th row  Continue with rows hddh.

7th row  Place T-pin. Make U-turn with aqua cord and knot a row of vdh
towards the right. Now the aqua cord is the kc and each of the chestnut cord are the ac in turn. (Remember always to first place the kc behind each of the ac when knotting the vdhh)

8th row  Reverse direction with a U-turn and knot a row of vdh towards the left.
9-10th row  
2 rows of `hdhh`.

11th row  
2 `hdhh`, 2 `vdhh`, 2 `hdhh`, 2 `vdhh` & 2 `hddh`  

12-13th row  
2 rows of `hdhh`.

14th row  
Row of `rdhh` knotted with the chestnut cords over the aqua cord towards the left.

15th row  
U-turn and row of `rdhh` towards the right.

16th row  
Row of `hdhh`. 
17th row  With the aqua cords on each side knot a **larkhead knot chain** over 2 of the chestnut cord. (9 completed larkheads on each side/center cords loose)

18-19th row  2 row of **hdhh**. (Bring loose aqua cord back across in diagonal)

20-23th row  4 rows of **vdhh**.

24-26th row  3 rows of **hdhh**.

27th row  With the aqua cords on each side knot a **larkhead knot chain**. (9 completed larkheads on each side/center cords loose)

28th row  Knot several square knots with the 2 aqua cords
Finishing With a tapestry needle stitch the aqua cord one at a time back into the square knot exiting the knot with the other cords. Cut the cord at any desired length. Sample tassel is 5 inch long.