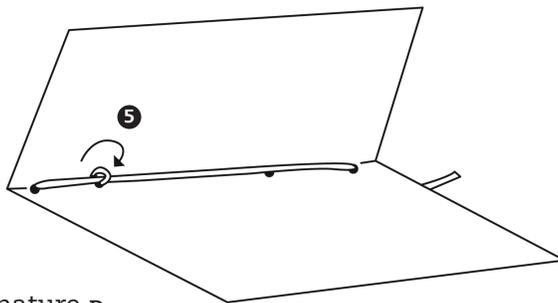
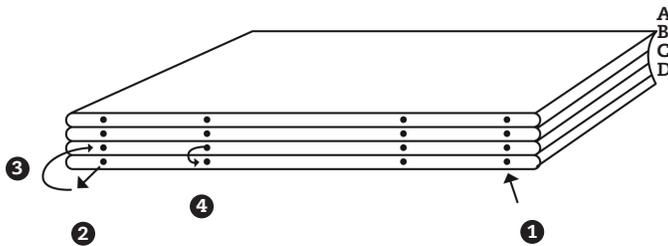


Coptic Stitch

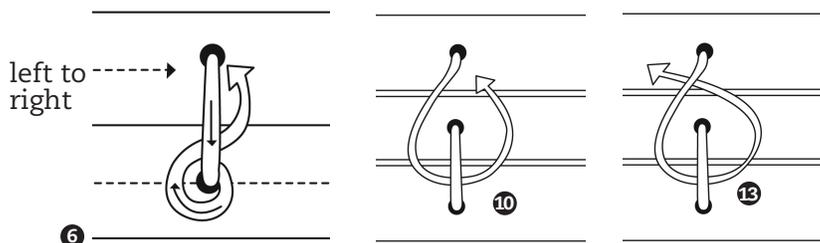
NOTES

length of string = length of book spine x number of signatures + one book spine.

make sure to keep track of the tops and bottoms of the signatures so that you do not stitch them in upside down.



signature D



- 1 start at the end sewing station of last signature D
- 2 exit top sewing station D
- 3 enter top sewing station of next signature C
- 4 exit second sewing station of signature C, and...
- 5 enter second sewing station of previous signature D. loop over existing thread and exit same sewing station.
- 6 loop thread (of spine) by sewing *under* existing thread between signatures (C+D) and *re-enter* second sewing station of signature C.
- 7 proceed to next sewing station and repeat steps 5 and 6.
- 8 exit bottom sewing station of signature C and tie a knot with the end string.
- 9 enter bottom sewing station of the next signature B
- 10 exit the next sewing station of signature B and...
- 11 loop thread by sewing *under* existing thread between signatures (C+D) and *re-enter* sewing station of signature B.
- 12 repeat steps 10 and 11.
- 13 exit top sewing station of signature B and...
- 14 loop thread by sewing *under* existing thread between signatures (C+D), and before pulling the stitch tight, pass the thread *underneath* itself.
- 15 enter top sewing station of the next signature A
- 16 repeat steps 10 through 14
- 17 continue to add signatures and when you are finished tie off with a knot