

String Making – 3 post Jig

- Set posts parallel to jig
- Outside post to outside post set to desired string length
- Tie string to the inner post of the end loop post set
- Start wrapping from inner post to outer post of end loop end
- Wrap (stacked) string material around outer posts to desired number of strands (16 strand string – 8 strands on each side)
- Finish on outer post of end loop end – tie off to outer post
Note one side of the post will have 9 strands – the other side will have 8 strands

To create top loop

- Rotate post so that the 9 strand segment is between the posts – at right angles to the jig
- Serve from left post - serve 4.25 inches - Tighten serving jig to string
- Untie the string from both post – take back to the serving ends and cut off
- Loosen tension on string jig
- Rotate end loop end to parallel to string jig
- Center serving around post (slightly offset serving ends)
- Tighten the string jig
- Loosen off serving jig – pull out 4” of serving
- Hand serve starting back one 1/8 inch - serving to **past** the end of the serving
- Serve with jig to a point 5.5 inches from the post
- Finish serving with 10 – 12 finishing serving loops

To create bottom loop

- On tensioning post – mark center of post on the string
- Loosen string jig – rotate string on posts
- String jig at right angles
- Center mark on string is centered between the posts
- Measure 1.5 inches on either side of center
- Serve the 3 inches – tighten serving jig to string
- Loosen tension on string jig
- Rotate posts to parallel – center serving around the post (slight offset)
- Loosen off serving jig – pull out 4” of serving
- Hand serve starting back one 1/8 inch - serving to **past** the end of the initial serving
- Serve with jig to a point 5.5 inches from the post
- Finish serving with 10 - 12 finishing serving loops