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How to Tie a Windsor Knot Tie

One morning, I had to attend a job interview of which one of the issues that was of interest to interviewers was how candidates presented themselves, especially how they tied their Windsor knot tie on their neck. No one doubts that at first sight, tying a tie seemed like a more complicated and time-consuming thing than even studying nuclear physics. On that day, an hour before starting my journey to the venue of the interview, my older brother appeared in my dressing room and found me starting tying the tie. To my amazement, he embarrassedly exclaimed, "Bro, that's not how to do it?" He then proceeded by taking me through the whole procedure of how a tie should be tied. It included some steps which I ignored when the brother got out of the room, because I wanted to tie the tie myself in a bid to save some time.

I am sure that many of you also have had a similar experience in tying a Windsor knot. That is, a "thick, wide and triangular tie knot that projects confidence" (Vega, 76) or one that is viewed as "a knot of choice for presentations, job interviews, courtroom appearance as it best suited for spread collar shirts" (Vega, 76). Since tying a tie illustrates one's confidence, whether in a job interview, court proceeding or articulated presentation, doing the same seizes to be an option. Thus, it does not matter whether you didn't know how to do it or you thought it was too hard to do. However, for those of you who have never experienced such a dilemma, it is important



that to pay close attention to this procedure because of the importance of tying a tie. In fact, it is without a doubt that, at some point in time, you will be faced with the same situation.

It is important to point out that ever since I started attending job interviews, I have always been faced with the problem of presentation, especially tying a Windsor knot tie. However, in most cases, I have successfully been able to tie a tie with one occasion last month that led to getting my current job. Though, to me, tying a tie was previously based on trial and error method, I have learned both good and bad aspects of tying a tie all of which have helped me in breaking down the seemed complex procedures into what I think is rather a simple process.

Today, I would like to take you through four steps of tying a Windsor tie that will demonstrate the fact that everybody can make a Windsor knot on their tie. I have come to realize that men with long necks that require wide knot can visually diminish the height of their necks to ensure the balancing of their appearance. Before I would demonstrate the four steps below, it should be pointed out that in order to achieve the goal of tying a Windsor knot, three things must be put in place. These include a tie, a mirror, and motivation. Significantly, I do highly recommend that before proceeding with essentials of how to tie a Windsor knot, one should put on a suit or at least a shirt. It should be the one for which the tie was initially designed to conceal the buttons on a shirt in order to see vividly why a tie is necessary and how long it should be. When this is done, make sure that you stand in front of a mirror, place the tie on your neck and follow the instructions given below.

The first step involves ensuring that the wide end is placed approximately 30 cm lower than the narrow end of the tie. When this is done, cross the wider end of the tie over the narrow end. Then create a loop between the collar and what will be your tie where the wide end of the tie will pass through



downwards. This will make the wider end of the tie be on top of the narrow one. At this point, proceed to the second step that ensures that the wider end of the tie is effectively located on the right side of the knot.

In the second step, place the wider end of the tie under the narrow end, then pull it to the left and across the top of the narrow end. At this particular time, the wider end should be seen as encircling the narrow one thereby forming the first outline of a knot. However, the wider end must be located to the right of the knot. When this is achieved, proceed to the third step. It will require you to put the wider end of the tie beneath the narrow end again. You will then need to put it between the collar and the knot before pushing it through the loop. This will then transit you into the final step of tying a Windsor knot on a tie.

In the final step, push the wider end through the formed knot. You then need to hold on the knot with your left hand as you adjust the ends of your tie. This should be done while pushing the knot to the collar. At this stage, you have successfully tied a Windsor knot tie.

In conclusion, we can now see that tying a Windsor knot tie is much easier than studying nuclear physics and as not time-consuming as usually believed. If one has a tie, a mirror, and is properly motivated, then the task of tying a tie can be achieved within two minutes based on the steps outlined here. This can even take you less than a minute if you practice a couple of times how to tie a tie. It implies that the one who practices these instructions will not fail the appearance test in a job interview.

