



# THE ROPEMAN

BRING A SENSE OF NAUTICAL STYLE TO YOUR HOME OR BOAT WITH THESE AUTHENTIC ACCESSORIES



**W**e recently stumbled across this range of handcrafted ropework accessories made by a talented British knot tyer and designer known only as The Ropeman, who specialises in the historic knot tying skills of sailors, using the same complex knots that would have been used by the crews of Nelson's Navy over 200 years ago. The historic skill of knot tying has a fascinating history, and can be traced back to the 16th century – about the time Henry VIII founded the British Navy. Decorative rope knots were used on historic sailing ships, and sailors made decorative rope items such as baskets and bracelets for their sweethearts while they were away at sea. On land, every town would have had a ropemaker and a Rope Walk – a very long straight lane where the materials to make rope were laid out before being twisted into rope, which was so indispensable that men could be flogged for stealing it.

There are over 1,700 decorative rope knots, each with its own name, such as the Ropeman's Turk's Head doorstop (£42).

You can see The Ropeman's complete range of nautical rope knot accessories and buy online at [beautifulropedecor.co.uk](http://beautifulropedecor.co.uk). 

