

# Lantern Stand

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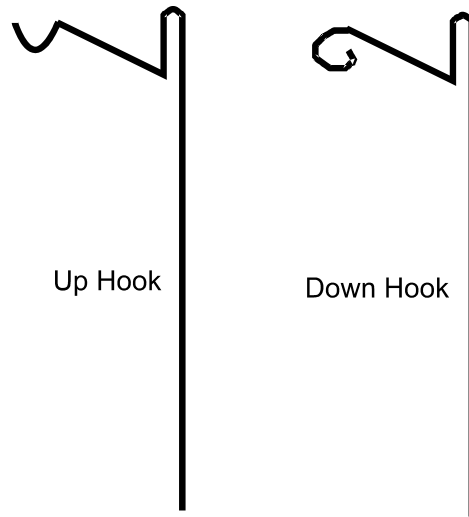
Materials: 1 piece of 3/8 square stock, 60" long.

## Down Hook

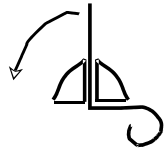
Taper one end to small point for 3 1/2 inches, then round the taper.

Forge tapered section into hook over the anvil horn.

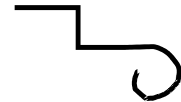
Heat a spot 4 1/2 inches behind the hook, and, with the hook up, forge into 90° bend over the edge of the anvil.



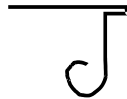
Heat bend to bright orange. Put in post vise, bring hook to underside of vise



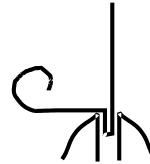
jaws and pull down to look like this.



Then forge down like this.



Reheat, place in vise, squeeze shut and adjust arm to desired angle. Forge point on other end and finish.

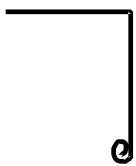


## Up Hook

Taper one end to fine point for 2 inches and round. Forge very small scroll on tip.



Bend tapered section to 90° over edge of anvil, and forge hook.



Heat a spot 4 1/2 inches behind the hook, and, with the hook down, bend to 90° over the edge of the anvil.



Finish it out the same as for the down hook.

This rig will hold a Coleman gas lantern.

Editor's note: My wife and I use two of these when we go camping, holding kerosene lamps filled with citronella oil. It gives a nice, mellow light around the campsite, and the citronella helps keep the bugs away.