STEP ONE

Choose the right diameter

The cleats on your boat are designed to work with appropriately sized lines. Lines that are too thick for your cleats can cause problems.

Boat Length	Line Diameter
< 27'	3/8"
28'-35'	1/2"
36'-45'	5/8"

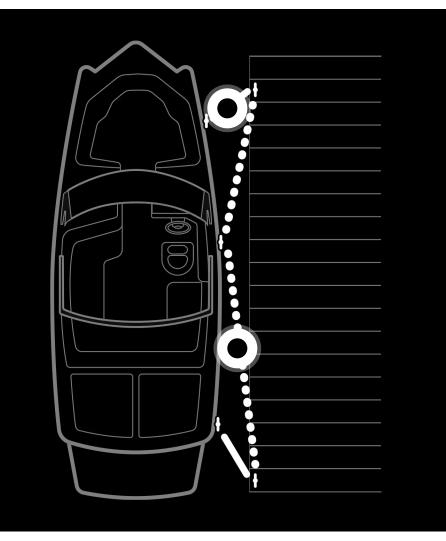
STEP TWO

Choose the right length

Typically, you'll keep two different lengths on board. Shorter bow/stern lines and longer spring lines. Proper length allows flexibility without creating unnecessary and cumbersome extra line.

Boat Length	Bow/Stern Line	Spring Lines
< 27'	10 ft	15 ft
28'-35'	20 ft	25 ft
36'-45'	25 ft	30 ft

Bow / Stern Lines vs Spring Lines



Bow / Stern Lines

These lines firmly secure and hold the boat in place at the dock. They attach at both the bow and stern of the boat the adjacent dock cleats.