

Natural Jute vs Synthetic Threads

There are two basic types of materials used to make a Ghillie suit: jute strands and synthetic strands. Jute is a natural material, and the synthetic thread is man-made. Both types of Ghillie suits are popular, and both have their advantages and disadvantages.

Jute

Made with natural jute strand material
Heavier weight keeps you warmer in cold climates
Traditional Ghillie suit material, proven as effective camouflage
Must be coated with flame retardant, and if it gets wet, reapplied.
Once the Jute gets wet, it absorbs twice it's weight in water, so it can get very heavy

Synthetic

Lightweight, Water-resistant, Rot-proof, Mildew resistant
Fire-retardant, Washable, Odor-less, Non-allergenic &
No UV- Brighteners.
A 1/2 pound bundle of the Synthetic thread is equal to 1.39 Pounds of the Jute thread. A full Ghillie synthetic Poncho weighs about 3.5 pounds, a Jute version weighs just over 9 lbs.

Although up close you might see minor differences between the two types of materials. Synthetic and jute Ghillie suits are equally effective at blending in with the natural environment.

Some prefer synthetic Ghillie suits because of their light weight and their ability to keep the body cool in hot, sticky climates. Others prefer the traditional choice of jute material. The choice between the two types of material is primarily a personal preference and not because one provides better camouflage than the other.