

Integral of $\csc(x)$:

$$\int \frac{1}{\sin(x)} dx = \int \frac{\sin(x)}{\sin^2(x)} dx = \int \frac{\sin(x)}{1 - \cos^2(x)} dx$$

Now use u - substitution and sub in u for $\cos(x)$. Then use partial fractions to get...

$$\int \frac{1}{1-u^2} du = -\frac{1}{2} \int \left(\frac{1}{1-u} + \frac{1}{1+u} \right) du = -\frac{1}{2} (\ln|u+1| - \ln|u-1|) + C = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{u-1}{u+1} \right| + C$$

To get the final answer substitute $\cos(x)$ back in for u , and use some properties of logarithms to simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{\cos(x)-1}{\cos(x)+1} \right| + C &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{\cos(x)-1}{\cos(x)+1} \left(\frac{\cos(x)-1}{\cos(x)-1} \right) \right| + C = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{(\cos(x)-1)^2}{1-\cos^2(x)} \right| + C \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \left(\frac{1-\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 \right| + C = 2 \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \left(\frac{1-\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} \right) \right| + C = \ln \left| \frac{1-\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} \right| + C \end{aligned}$$

$$= \ln |\csc(x) - \cot(x)| + C$$

Alternative solution (somewhat easier):

$$\int \csc(x) dx = \int \left(\csc(x) \left(\frac{\csc(x) - \cot(x)}{\csc(x) - \cot(x)} \right) \right) dx = \int \left(\frac{\csc^2(x) - \cot(x) \csc(x)}{\csc(x) - \cot(x)} \right) dx$$

Use u substitution with $u = \csc(x) - \cot(x)$ to get...

$$\int \frac{du}{u} = \ln|u| = \ln|\csc(x) - \cot(x)| + C$$

Notice this is the same equation obtained before.