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SIZE

Approximately 9" wide (across eyes) x 22" long (not including hanging cord)

MATERIALS

- [Berroco Lanias Quick](#) (super bulky weight; 100% Wool; 109 yds / 100g): 1 hank of #77159 Pumpkin
- 1 set Ceramic Eyes and Nose from Etsy
- One 6" diameter bamboo ring from Etsy
- Optional: 1 pair 10" long wooden knitting needles, size 19 (15.00 mm) – 1 stick or rod of your choice at least 1" in diameter and 10" long may be substituted.
- Two 3½" diameter metal rings
- Tapestry needle
- 20 small elastics for shortening cords
- Scissors and measuring tape

NOTES

This owl is made using Macrame (a sometimes forgotten craft from the 1960's and 1970's). No knitting or crocheting is required.

OWL

(See [Knots Used](#) on next two pages). Cut ten 6-yd long cords. Hold knitting needles together with points facing in opposite directions. Fold cords in half and mount on needles using 10 [Lark's Head Knots](#). This will give you 20 cords for tying. Shorten Cords for easier tying.

HEAD

1. Make a [Square Knot](#) with each group of 4 cords, directly below needles—5 knots.
2. Drop the first 2 cords and make a row of Square Knots starting with the next 4 cords, dropping the last 2 cords—4 knots. Two rows of Alternating Square Knots completed.
3. Repeat Step 1—5 knots.
4. Repeat Step 2—4 knots.
5. Drop the first 4 cords and make a row of Square Knots, starting with the next 4 cords, dropping the last 4 cords—3 knots.
6. Drop the first 2 cords; draw the next 2 cords through center hole of first eye (you will have to unwrap these cords then wrap them again after eye has been added); drop the next 2 cords; make 2 Square Knots using the next 2 groups of 4 cords; drop next 2 cords;

draw the next 2 cords through center hole of second eye as before; drop the last 2 cords—2 eyes mounted with 2 Square Knots between.

7. Make 1 Square Knot with the center 4 cords, dropping 8 cords on each side.
8. Make 2 Square Knots with the first 2 groups of 4 cords; drop the next cord, draw the next 2 cords through hole of beak, make a Square Knot with the dropped cord, the center 2 cords and the next cord; make 2 Square Knots with the last 2 groups of 4 cords—5 Square Knots across with beak in center.

BODY

1. Make a Square Knot with each group of 4 cords across—5 knots.
2. Using the first 4 cords, make a Square Knot. Continue tying Square Knots under this first knot until you have a strap of 11 knots, one directly under the other. This forms one wing.
3. Using the last 4 cords, repeat the last step on the other side of body, forming the second wing.
4. Using the center 12 cords, tie 11 rows of Alternating Square Knots (3 knots, then 2 knots), starting and ending with 3 knots.

5. Cut a [Gathering Cord](#) 2-yds long.
6. Wrap the outer 4 cords (straps) on each side around top of bamboo ring, then gather all 20 cords underneath ring with Gathering Cord, making wrap approximately 2½" long. Trim cords to 8" or desired length of tail.

EYE RING

(Make 2)

Cut seventeen 8" cords. Mount all cords onto metal ring using Lark's Head Knots. Using thread or finer yarn, tie Eye Ring to head of owl with ceramic eye in center hole.

FINISHING

Hanging Cord: Cut two 2-yd cords. Mount cords using Lark's Head Knots to one end of knitting needles at outer edge of owl head—4 cords for tying. Tie [Half Twist Knots](#) until hanging cord measures 12" from beg (or desired length). Tie cords around the other end of knitting needles at the other side of owl head, with knot in back.

Using Tapestry needle, gently separate strands of tail cords and eye ring cords to make them fluffier. Trim ends of all cords to even out if necessary.

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KNOTS USED

LARK'S HEAD KNOT—Bring loop of folded yarn underneath the mounting dowel (in this case, the knitting needles) and over the dowel.



Pull ends of strand up through the loop, and snug securely against the dowel—two strands (cords) hanging from mounting dowel.



SQUARE KNOT—separate four cords from group.



Take the cord on the far left and fold it over three cords to the right, as if to make a figure 4.



Take the cord on the far right of the group, bring it up over the folded cord, then under the two center cords and back over the far left cord.



Half Square Knot completed.



To finish the square, take the cord on the far right and fold it over the two cords to the left (reverse figure 4), then under the far left cord.



Take the cord on the far left of the group, bring it up over the folded cord, then under the two center cords, then over the cord on the right.



Snug strands up to the top to complete square knot.



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GATHERING CORD—Cut a separate length of yarn to gather the threads.



Fold cord slightly and hold against the cords to be wrapped.



Wrap yarn around cords until wrap is desired length.



Thread end on yarn needle, and insert through wrap to opposite end.

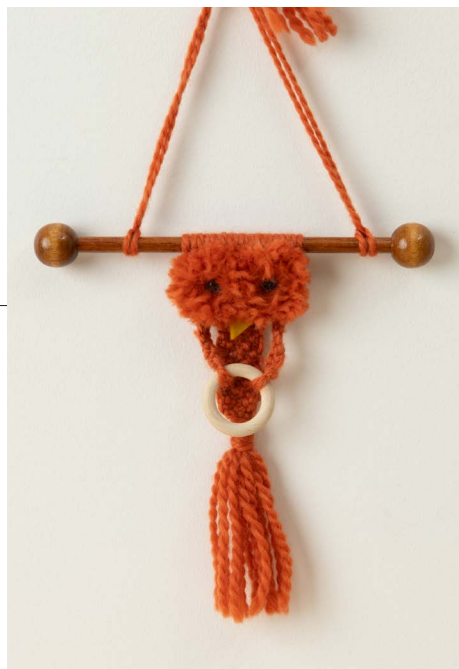


Trim end.



HALF-TWIST KNOTS (HALF-SQUARE KNOTS)—

Work first half of Square Knot. By tying only in one direction (not completing the square), the knots will start to twist on their own.



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