

HANDCRAFTED MACRAME KEYCHAINS



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INTRODUCTION

If you enjoy creating small, handmade accessories that are both meaningful and beautifully crafted, this macrame keychain eBook is a wonderful place to begin. Thoughtfully designed for makers of all skill levels, it invites you to explore the art of macrame while transforming simple cords into charming, useful keychains.

Within these pages, you'll explore a handpicked collection of macrame keychain projects, ranging from unique designs to elegant, decorative pieces. Each project is supported by clear, step-by-step instructions and helpful images, making it easy to follow along even if you are completely new to macrame.

These keychains are perfect for everyday use, thoughtful handmade gifts, or making personalized bags, keys, and accessories. Many of the designs can be easily customised using different cord colours, beads, and finishes, allowing you to create pieces that truly reflect your personal style.

So, take your time, enjoy the calming rhythm of knotting, and let each keychain come together naturally. We hope this eBook inspires you to slow down, create with intention, and appreciate the beauty of something handmade.

*Happy crafting,
With love,
Everything Macrame*

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Macrame Heart Keychain

This heart-shaped keychain has a sweet and classic look. It adds a soft, handmade touch to keys or bags and makes a lovely gift for any occasion. It's perfect for sharing a little love through a small, meaningful accessory.

Materials Required

- *3 mm braided macrame cord*
 - *White: 4 strands × 60 cm*
 - *Brown: 2 strands × 80 cm*
- *Keyring or carabiner (approx. 12 mm)*
- *Scissors*



Step 1: Attach Base Cords

Take two cords, fold them evenly in half, and place the folded center over the carabiner. Pull the loose ends through the loop to secure them using a Lark's Head Knot. Make sure the cords are centered and tightened evenly.



Step 2: Add Remaining Cords

Fold the remaining cords in half and add them to the work. Arrange the cords so that one cord lies on each side, keeping the strands neat and evenly spaced for a balanced design.



Step 3: Start the Base Pattern

Select one strand to use as the holding strand and position it diagonally. Using the remaining strands as working strands, tie Double Half Hitch knots over the holding strand. On the right side, continue knotting with three working strands to build the base structure.



Step 4: Work on the Reverse Side

Select one strand to use as the holding strand and position it diagonally. Using the remaining strands as working strands, tie Double Half Hitch knots over the holding strand. On the right side, continue knotting using three working strands to build the base structure.



Step 5: Add Contrasting Cords

Attach contrasting cords to the outer strands using a Reverse Lark's Head Knot, reinforce with half hitch knots, and fill the pattern with Double Half Hitch Knots.



Step 6: Tighten & Turn Front

Carefully tighten all knots to clean up the design. Once secure, turn the keychain back to the front side to continue shaping the heart.



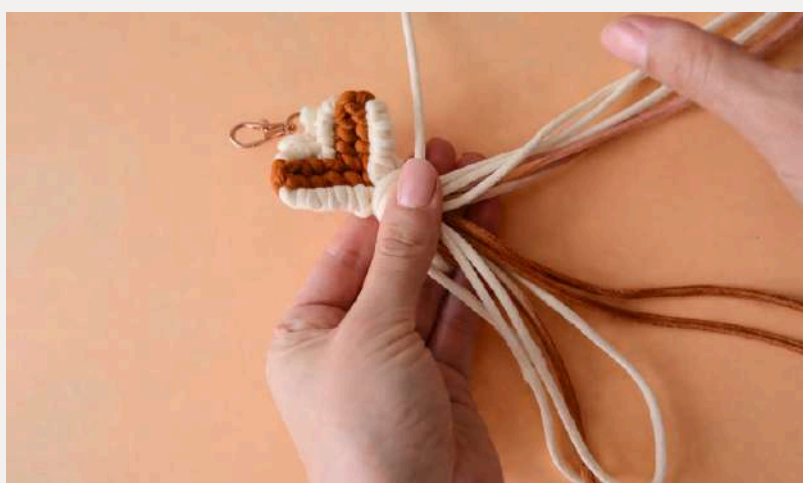
Step 7: Shape the Heart

Finish with diagonal knots. Gather strands in stages (2 strands, then 3 strands), pull upward to straighten the knot line, and secure with a Double Half Hitch knot.



Step 8: Make the Gathering Knot

Choose one middle strand and create a small loop at the top. Take the longest strand from the back and wrap it upward around all strands 3–4 times. Pull the wrapping strand through the top loop, then pull the bottom loop downward to neatly hide the end.



Step 9: Trim & Finish

Tighten all strands firmly, adjust the shape if needed, and carefully trim the excess cords.



Macrame Flamingo Keychain

This flamingo keychain is fun and eye-catching. Its playful shape makes it a cheerful accessory for everyday use or gifting. A great choice for adding a pop of joy and personality to your essentials.

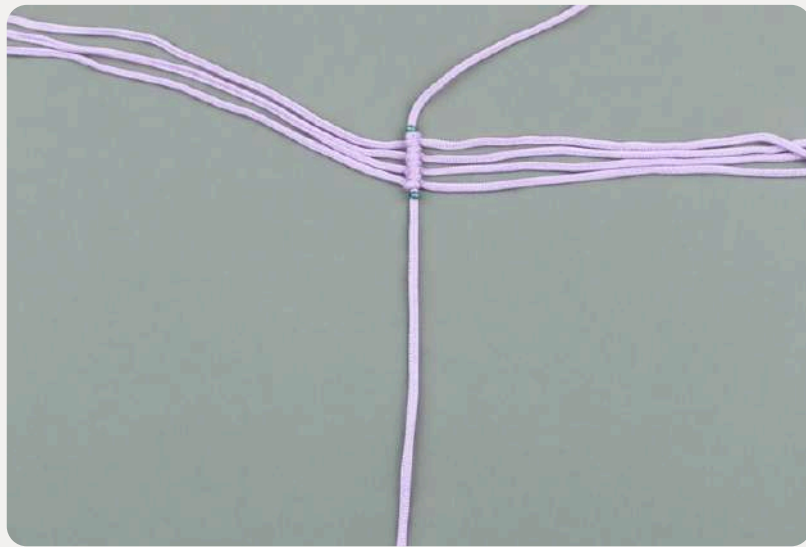
Materials Required

- ***Nylon Polyester Cord (3 mm):***
 - *Body colour: 8 strands × 80 cm*
 - *Black: 1 strand × 25 cm (beak and eye detail)*
 - *White: 1 strand × 20 cm (accent detail)*
- ***Tools:***
 - *Scissors*
 - *Matches (for sealing ends)*
 - *Glue (for neat finishing)*



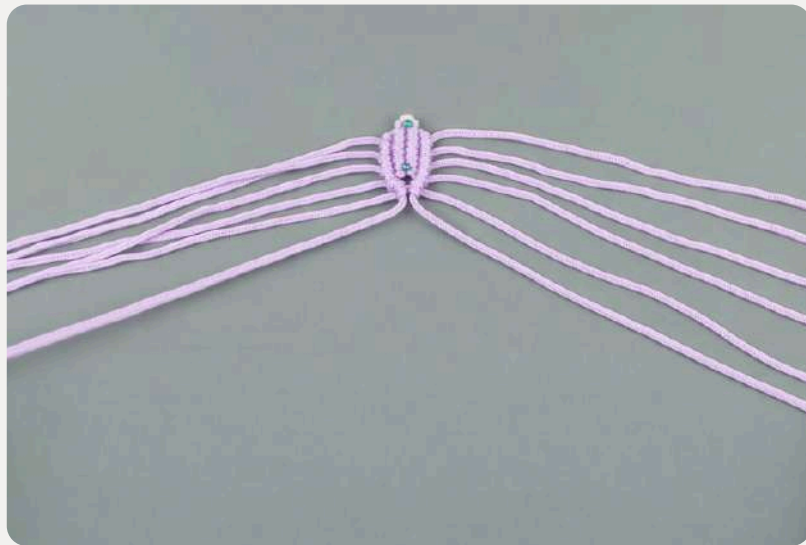
Step 1: Prepare Main Rope

Select one cord to act as the main holding cord. Keep this cord straight and under light tension, as all other strands will be knotted onto it.



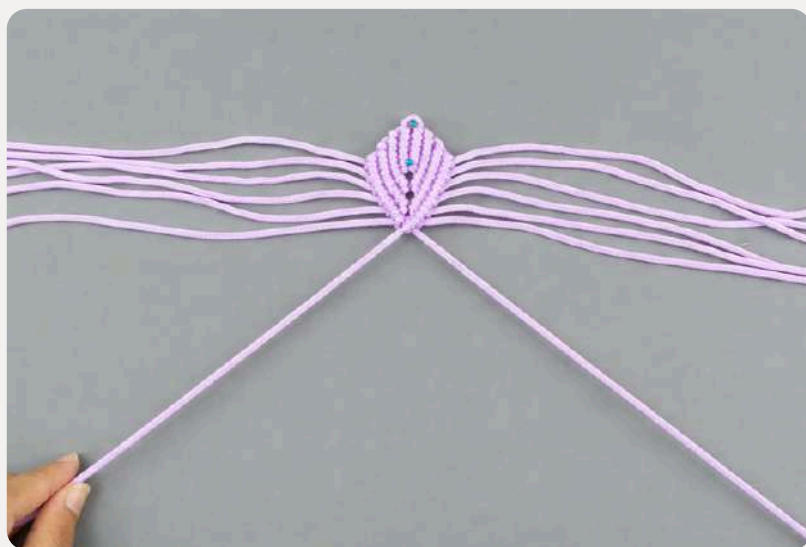
Step 2: Attach Base Strands

Attach four strands to the main cord. Use Double Half Hitch Knot and Vertical Double Half Hitch knots to secure them neatly. Keep the knots close together and evenly spaced to form a strong base.



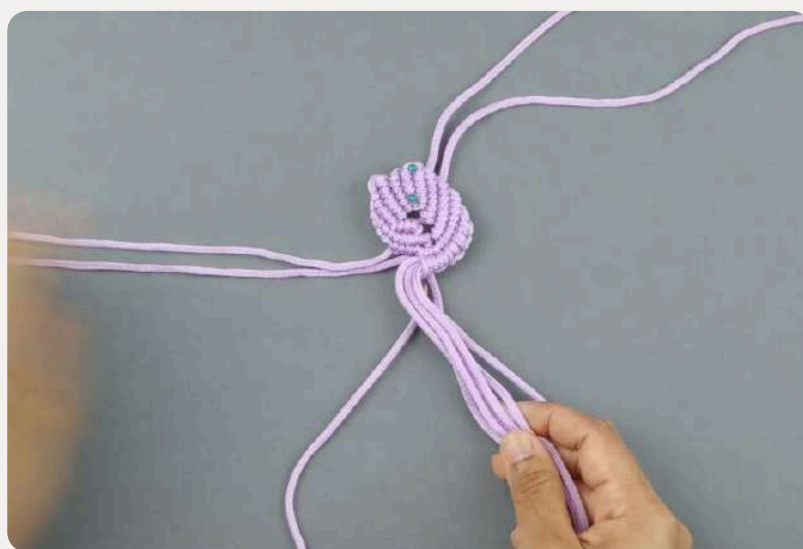
Step 3: Add Extra Ropes

Add two additional cords, attaching them one at a time. Secure each cord using Vertical Double Half Hitch Knots, making sure they align neatly with the existing strands.



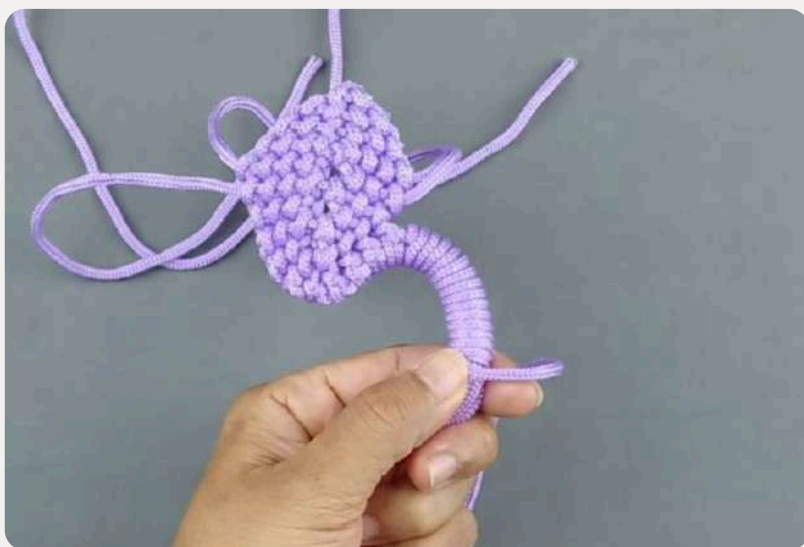
Step 4: Shape Body & Neck

Begin shaping the neck area. Set aside two cords to later form the legs. Join the remaining cords together using Double Half Hitch Knots. Repeat to strengthen the body.



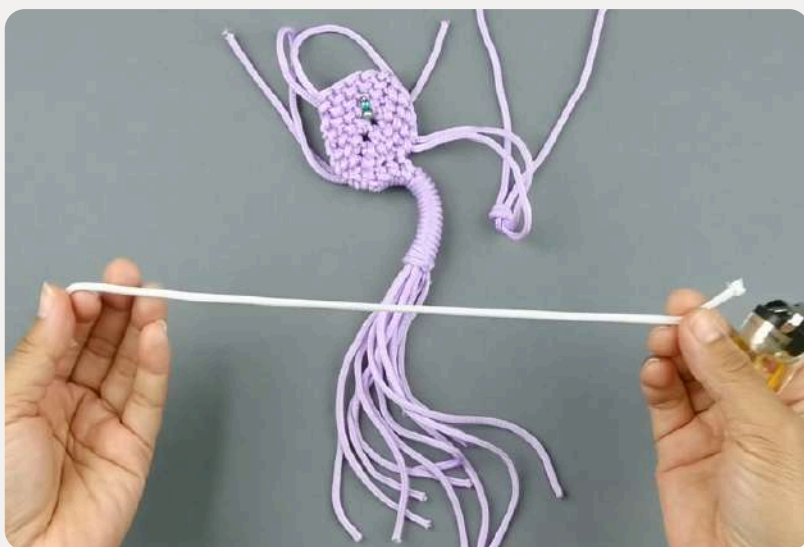
Step 5: Prepare Head Strands

At the top of the work, leave two cords unknotted. These will be used to form the flamingo's head, so keep them straight and separate from the body strands.



Step 6: Wrap the Head

Using the last cord, begin wrapping around the head area. Wrap tightly and evenly to shape the head. Once finished, secure and seal the end neatly at the back so it remains hidden.



Step 7: Add White Detail

Attach the white cord at the appropriate spot and wrap four neat loops. Keep the loops uniform to create a clean decorative detail.



Step 8: Create the Beak

Attach the black cord to form the beak. Wrap six tight loops, then carefully trim any excess strands. Secure the end firmly so the beak holds its shape.



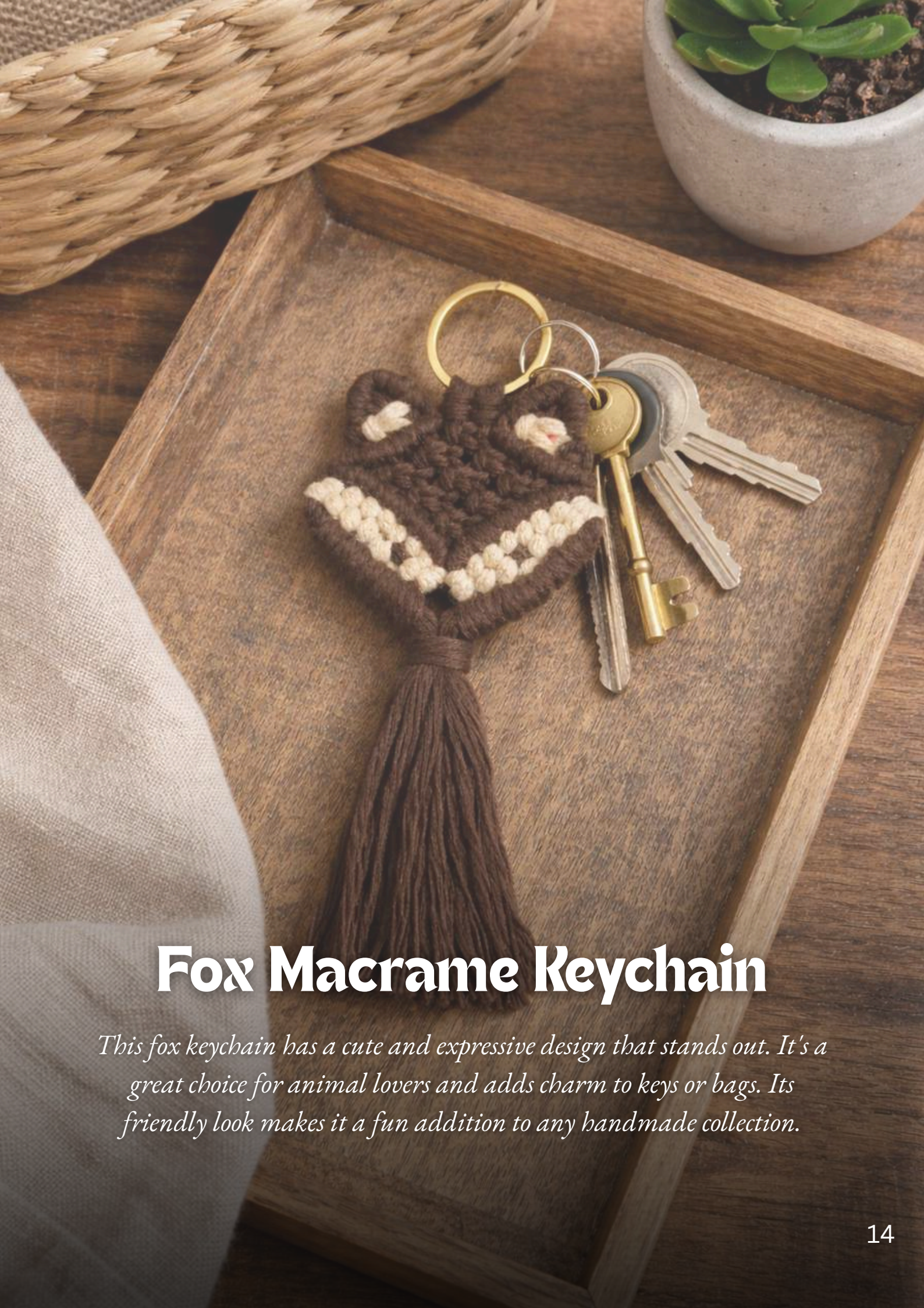
Step 9: Secure the Remaining Rope

Take the remaining cord, seal the end, and attach it securely to the flamingo's body. Ensure it blends smoothly with the existing knots.



Step 10: Final Finishing

Trim the top cords neatly. Create the eyes using the black cord, adjusting their placement for symmetry. Finally, tie a knot at the legs to finish the flamingo and give it a clean, polished look.



Fox Macrame Keychain

This fox keychain has a cute and expressive design that stands out. It's a great choice for animal lovers and adds charm to keys or bags. Its friendly look makes it a fun addition to any handmade collection.

Materials Required

Cord:

- *Brown: 8 strands × 80 cm*
- *White: 2 strands × 70 cm*
- *Black: 2 strands × 40 cm*

Tools:

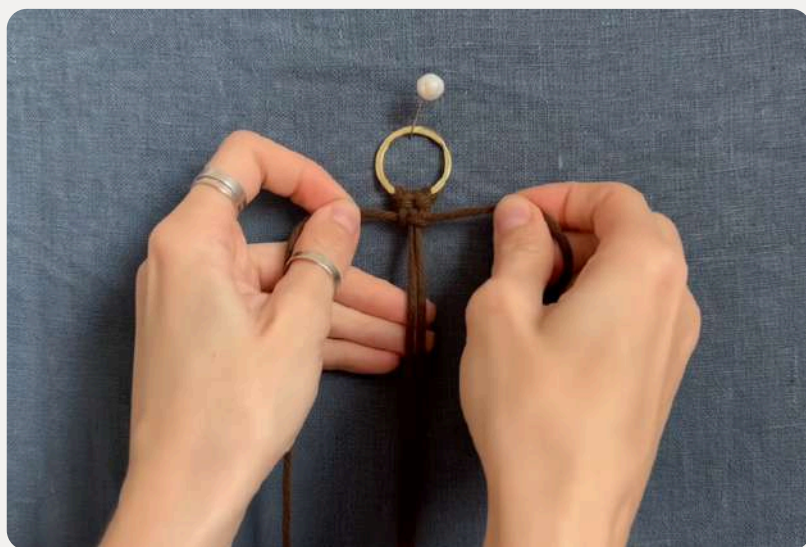
- *Key hook*
- *Scissors*
- *Comb or brush (optional, for finishing)*



Step 1: Attach Base Cords

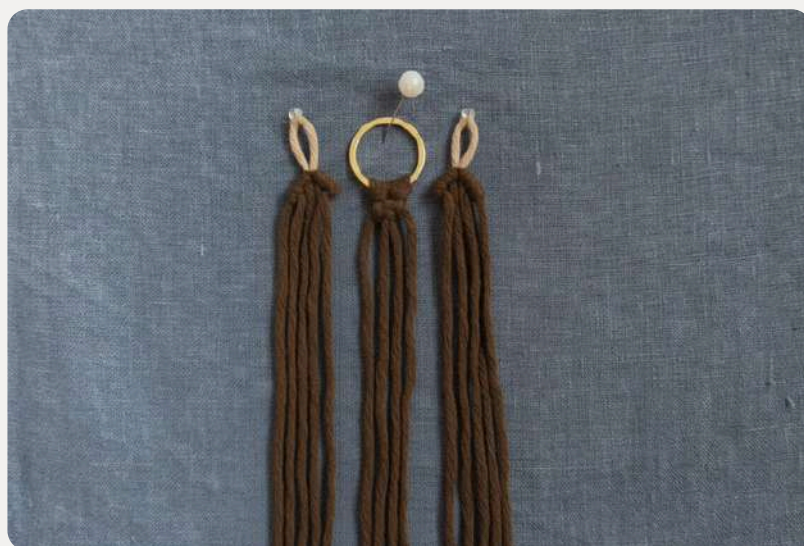
Attach two brown cords to the key hook using a Lark's Head Knot.

These cords act as the central base and will support the entire fox face, so keep them straight and evenly positioned on the hook.



Step 2: Set Up the First Ear

Choose one brown cord and pin it down to act as the holding cord for the ear. Attach one brown cord on each side of this base using Reverse Lark's Head Knots. You should now have four cords forming the foundation of the first ear.



Step 3: Shape the First Ear

Take one white cord and tie one Square Knot at the center of the ear. This creates contrast and defines the inner ear.

On both sides, use the brown cords to tie Double Half Hitch Knots, working outward to form a triangular ear shape. Let the white cord hang downward without cutting it.

Use the outer brown corner cord to continue Double Half Hitch Knots, tightening gradually to sharpen the ear's edges and give it structure.



Step 4: Make the Second Ear

Repeat Steps 2 and 3 to create the second ear. Pay close attention to knot count and spacing so both ears are equal in size and shape. Symmetry is what makes the fox look balanced and neat.



Step 5: Position the Ears

Place both finished ears beside the two original brown base cords on the key hook. Arrange all cords carefully so the ears sit naturally on either side, preparing for the head construction.



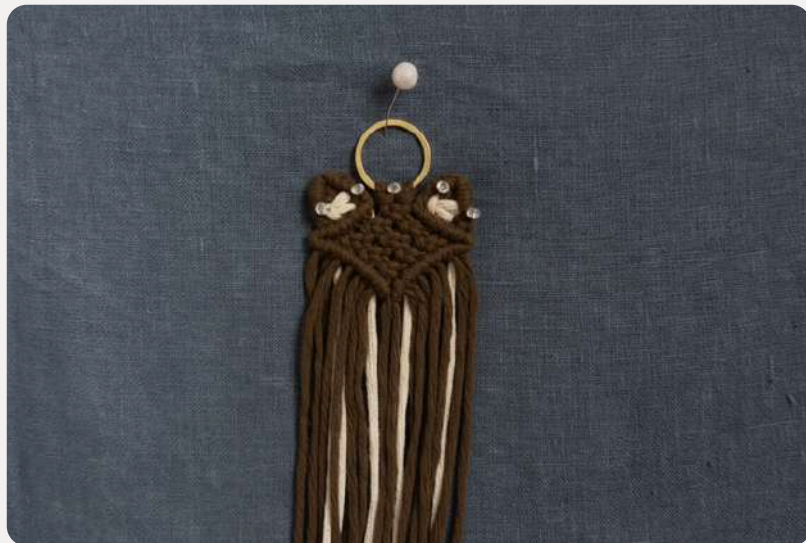
Step 6: Form the Head (Diamond Shape)

Using Square Knots, create the fox's head in a diamond pattern:

- *Row 1: 1 Square Knot*

- *Row 2: 2 Square Knots*
- *Row 3: 3 Square Knots*
- *Row 4: 2 Square Knots*
- *Row 5: 1 Square Knot*

This gradual increase and decrease forms a clean, geometric face shape that gives the fox its recognizable structure.



Step 7: Close the Head Structure

On both outer brown cords, tie Double Half Hitch Knots to pull the shape inward and secure the head.

At this stage, keep all white cords uncut, as they will be used for facial details.



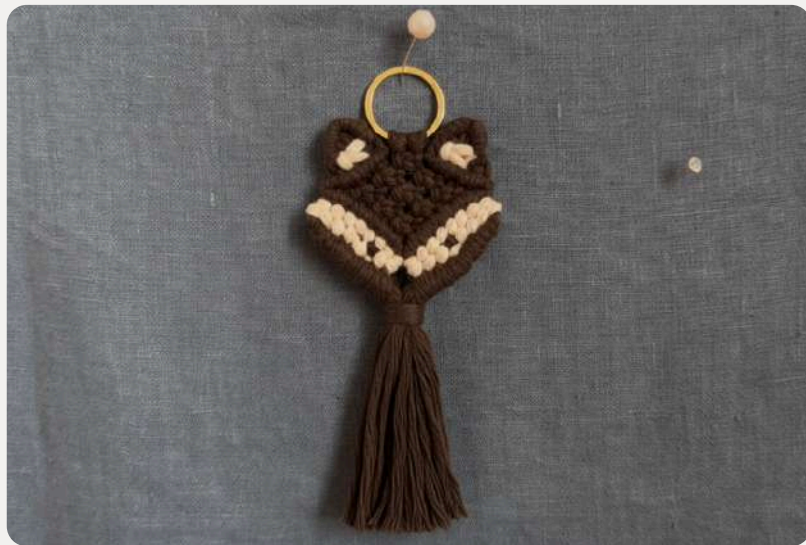
Step 8: Create the Eyes

Starting from one side, use a white cord to tie Half Hitch Knots over the brown cords. Complete the first line using white cord only. For the second line, switch to a black cord at the eye positions to clearly define the eyes while keeping the rest subtle and clean.



Step 9: Create the Nose

When four white cords meet at the center, select the middle two. Using a black cord, tie one Square Knot to form the nose. This small knot becomes the focal point of the face, so tighten it neatly and keep it centered.



Step 10: Final Finishing

Bring the brown cords from both sides toward the center and close the face using Double Half Hitch Knots.

Gather all remaining cords together and tie a Wrapping Knot at the base to secure everything firmly.

Trim the excess cords to your desired length. You can leave them straight for a clean look or lightly comb them for a softer finish.



Macrame Turtle Keychain

This turtle keychain is cute and neatly shaped. Inspired by nature, it's a cheerful little accessory that's perfect for daily use. Its balanced design gives it a calm and pleasant appearance.

Materials Required

Cord

- *Nylon polyester cord, 3 mm thickness*
- *Grey: 6 strands × 80 cm each*
- *Green: 1 strand × 130 cm*

Tools

- *Scissors*
- *Measuring tape*
- *Matches or lighter (for sealing ends)*
- *Glue (optional, for a neat finish)*
- *Flat work surface or macrame board (optional)*



Step 1: Prepare the Cords

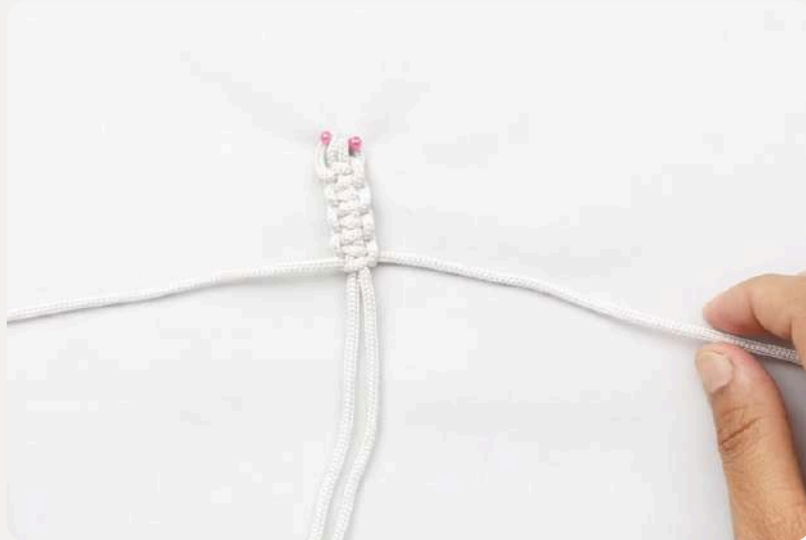
Arrange all cords evenly on a flat surface.

Align the ends carefully so all strands start at the same length. Proper cord alignment is essential for keeping the turtle symmetrical.



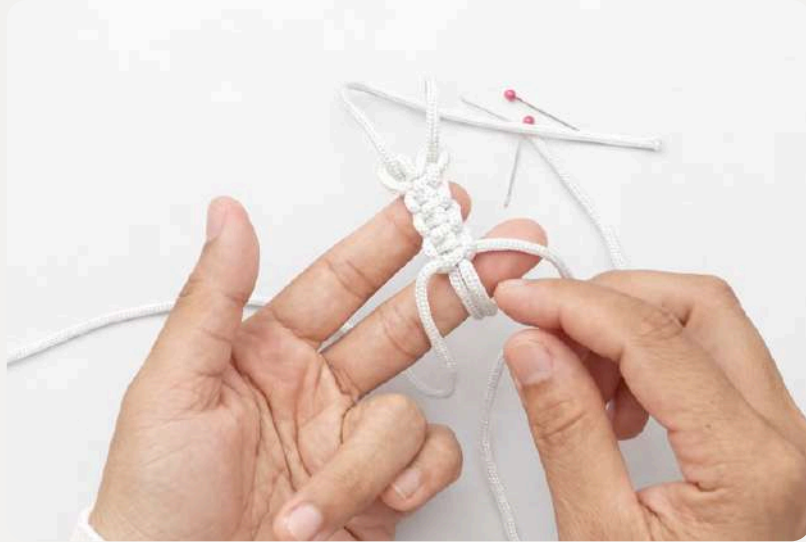
Step 2: Start the Base Knot

*Using the grey cords, tie one square knot at the center.
Tighten and center the knot neatly. This forms the base of the turtle's shell.*



Step 3: Build the Shell Base

*Tie four square knots in sequence.
Maintain even tension to keep the shell flat and balanced.*



Step 4: Define the Center

Tie one square knot in the center.

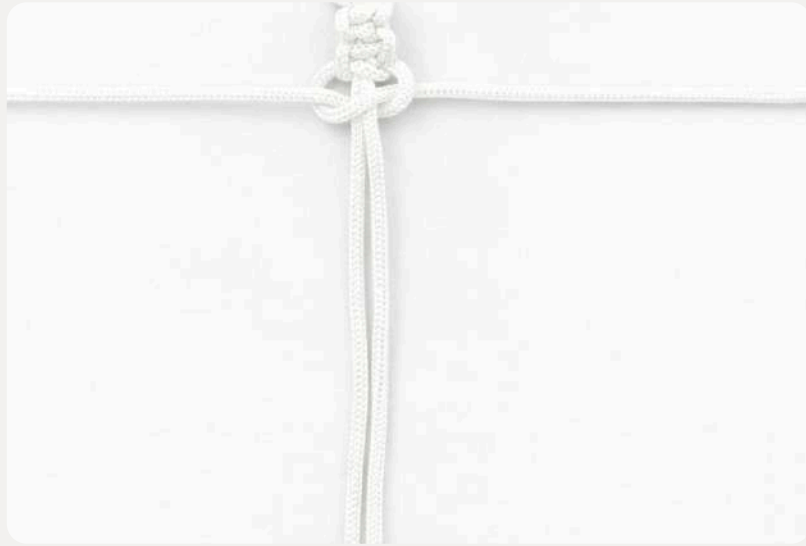
This locks the previous knots in place and strengthens the structure.



Step 5: Shape the Turtle Head

Gently separate the front cords and pull them forward to form the turtle head.

Adjust the cords so the head sits neatly and symmetrically.



Step 6: Shape the Neck and Upper Body

*Tie one square knot behind the head to form the neck.
Follow with two square knots to define the upper body.*



Step 7: Create the Legs

*Separate the side cords evenly to form the turtle legs.
Ensure both sides are balanced before securing.*



Step 8: Secure the Legs

*Use Double Half Hitch Knots to shape and secure each leg.
Keep knot tension consistent so all legs match in size and angle.*



Step 9: Add Decorative Color

*Attach the greencord (130 cm) to the back of the body using Double Half Hitch Knots.
This cord highlights and outlines the shell design.*



Step 10: Detail the Shell

Continue with Double Half Hitch Knots to decorate and define the shell.

Work slowly to maintain even spacing and clean lines.



Step 11: Form the Turtle Tail

Gather the back cords and shape the turtle tail, positioning it centrally. Secure it firmly with knots.



Step 12: Final Knots and Finishing

Finish the body with square knots, then add two final square knots to fully secure the design.

Tighten all knots evenly, trim excess cord, seal the ends with heat, and apply a small amount of glue if desired for a polished finish.



Macrame Crystal Keychain

This keychain features a stone at the center with a calm and elegant look. It's perfect as a decorative charm, a thoughtful gift, or a personal keepsake. A lovely piece to carry something meaningful with you every day.

Materials Required

- *Cotton or jute macrame cord*
- *4 cords of equal length (folded in half)*
- *1 metal keyring or hanging ring*
- *1 natural stone or crystal (quartz, amethyst, green stone, etc.)*
- *Optional wooden or decorative bead*
- *Scissors*
- *Silicone glue (optional, for final stone fixing)*



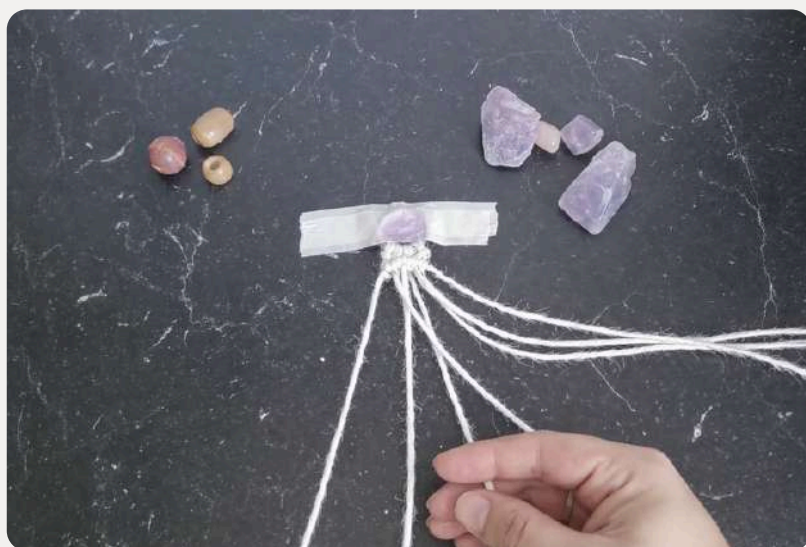
Step 1: Prepare and Attach the Cords

Fold all 4 cords in half to find the center. Pass the folded middle through the ring. Pull the loose ends through the loop to secure with a Lark's Head Knot. You will now have 8 working strands hanging from the ring.



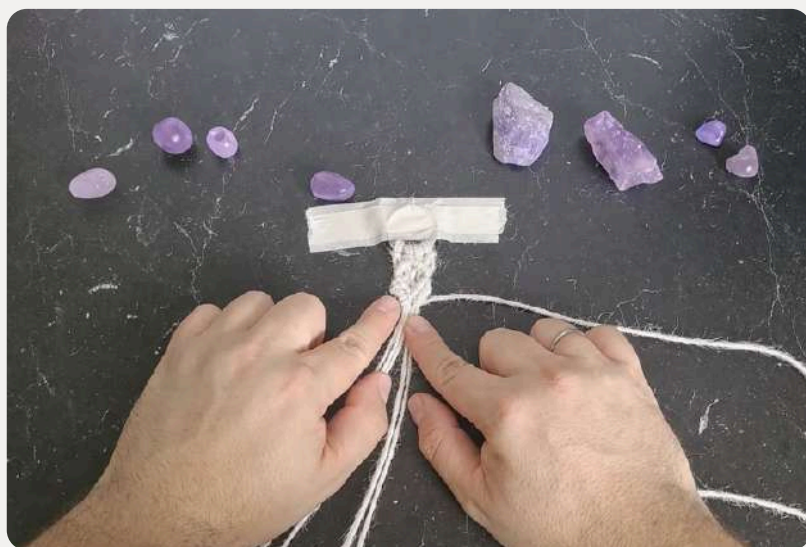
Step 2: Arrange the Working Strands

Separate the cords so that 2 cords remain in the center. The remaining cords are divided evenly on the left and right. These center cords will act as guide cords.



Step 3: Begin Festoon Knots – Right Side

Use one center cord as the guide. With each outer cord, make Double Half Hitch Knots diagonally toward the center. Each festoon knot is made with two wraps. Work neatly and keep the diagonal angle consistent.



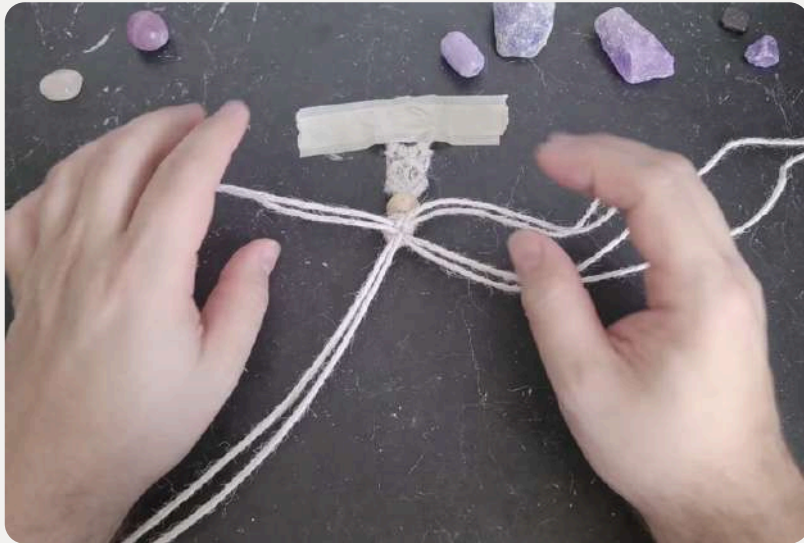
Step 4: Mirror Festoon Knots – Left Side

Switch the guide cord to the opposite center strand. Repeat the same festoon knots in the opposite direction. This creates a symmetrical, oval-shaped design.



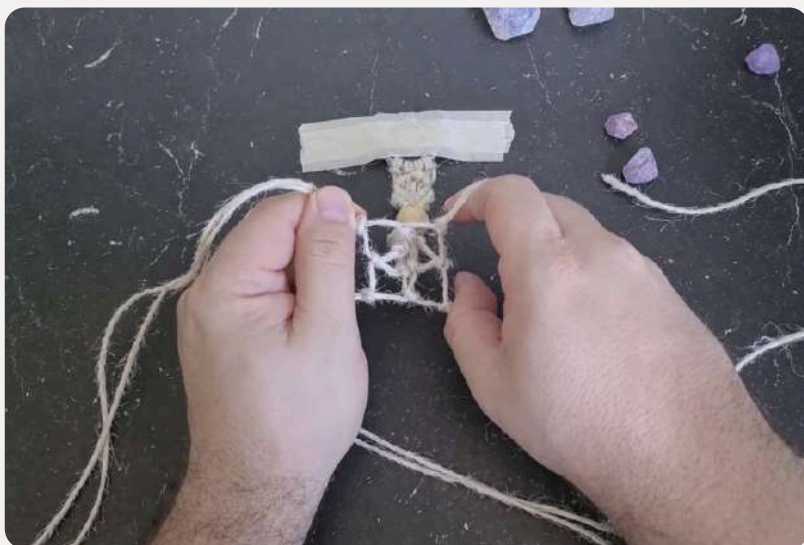
Step 5: Close the First Shape

Bring both sides back toward the center using mirrored festoon knots. Pull the two central cords together and tighten to close the shape.



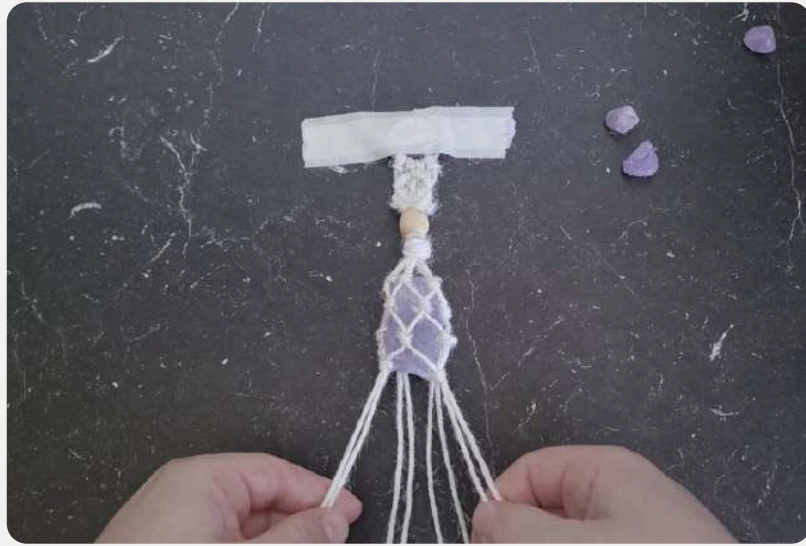
Step 6: Insert the Stone

Carefully place your chosen crystal or stone into the center opening. Adjust the cords so the stone sits securely and visibly.



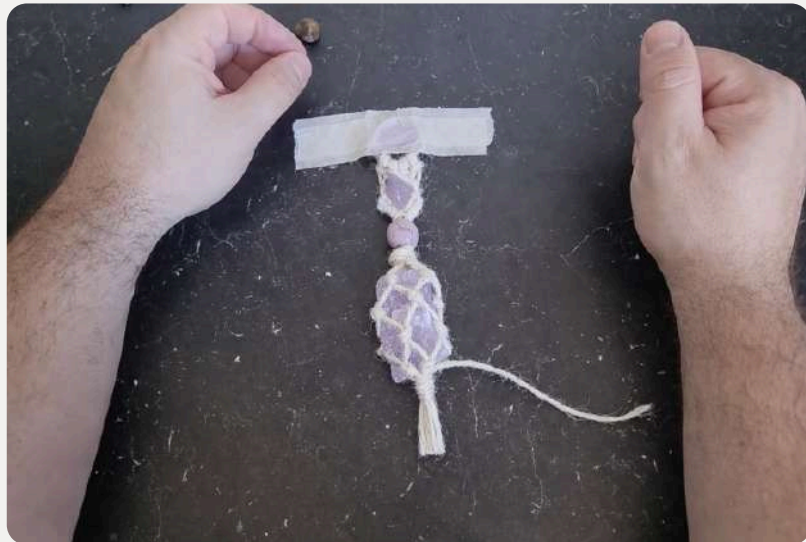
Step 7: Secure with a Large Knot

Gather all cords together. Tie one firm overhand knot below the stone to lock it in place.



Step 8: Decorative Net Knots

Divide cords into pairs side by side. Tie small overhand knots about 1 cm apart. Alternate cords from neighboring knots to create a net-style pattern. Keep all knots at the same height for a clean finish.



Step 9: Final Stone Adjustment

Open the net slightly if needed. Adjust the stone so it sits centered and secure. Continue knotting until the stone is fully held.



Step 10: Hidden Finishing Knot

Use a small extra cord to make a hidden wrap knot. Wrap tightly 5–6 times. Pull the loop to hide the knot inside. Trim excess cord neatly.



Macrame Crown Keychain

This crown keychain has a stylish and decorative look that stands out. It adds a special touch to keys or bags and is perfect for anyone who loves unique accessories.

Materials Required

- *Braided polyester cord (4 mm)*
- *Twisted cotton cord (3 mm)*
- *Key chain ring*
- *Beads*
- *Tape measure*
- *Scissors*
- *Knitting needle*



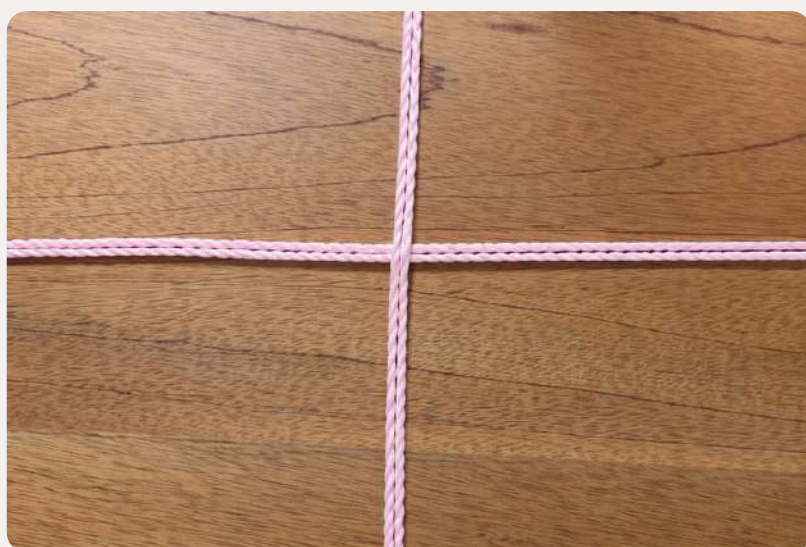
Step 1: Prepare the Twisted Cotton Cord

Untie the 50 cm twisted cotton cord carefully. Separate it gently into three single strands, smoothing them with your fingers to remove twists. Keep these strands aside, as they will be used later for the wrapping knot and decorative finishing.



Step 2: Thread the Keychain Ring and Beads

Insert a knitting needle through the keychain ring and beads. Use the needle as a guide to pull the cords through easily, especially if the bead holes are small. Arrange the beads in the order you want them to appear in the final design.



Step 3: Cross the Center of the Braided Cords to Begin the Crown Knot

Take two braided cords (120 cm) and cross them at their centers to form an “X” shape. Make sure the cords are evenly aligned so the crown knot sits straight.



Step 4: Fold the Cords Clockwise

One by one, fold each cord clockwise, laying it over the next cord in a circular motion. Follow the sequence carefully so the structure stays balanced and symmetrical.



Step 5: Tighten to Complete the Crown Knot

Slowly pull all cord ends at the same time. Adjust the tension evenly until the crown knot is compact, round, and secure.



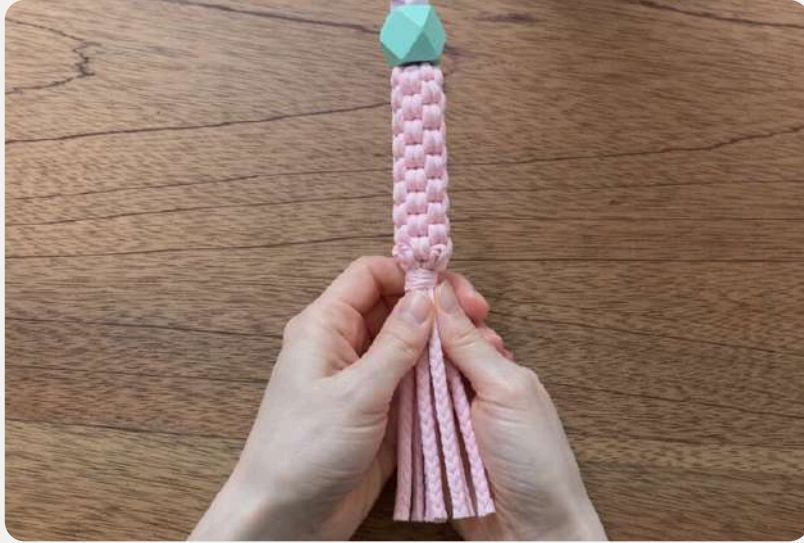
Step 7: Attach the Crown Knot to the Keychain

Slide the completed crown knot upward so it sits snugly against the keychain ring. This connects your decorative knot securely to the hardware.



Step 8: Continue the Knot Pattern

Fold the cords clockwise once more to repeat the crown knot motion. On the next knot, fold the cords counterclockwise. Alternating directions adds strength and a visually interesting texture.



Step 9: Secure with an Overhand Knot

Pull two strands together and tie a small overhand knot. This helps lock the pattern in place and prevents the crown knots from loosening.

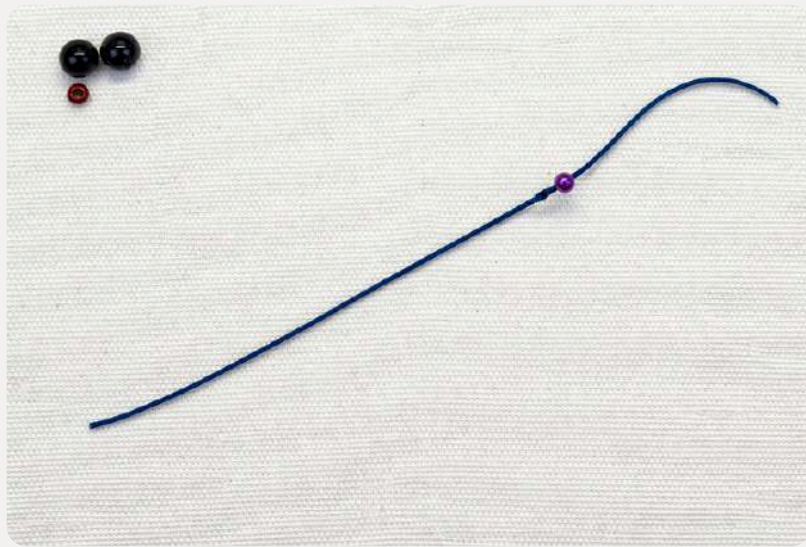


Macrame Owl keychain

This owl keychain is charming and full of personality, with sweet details that make it stand out. It's a lovely accessory for everyday use and a great choice for nature lovers.

Materials Required

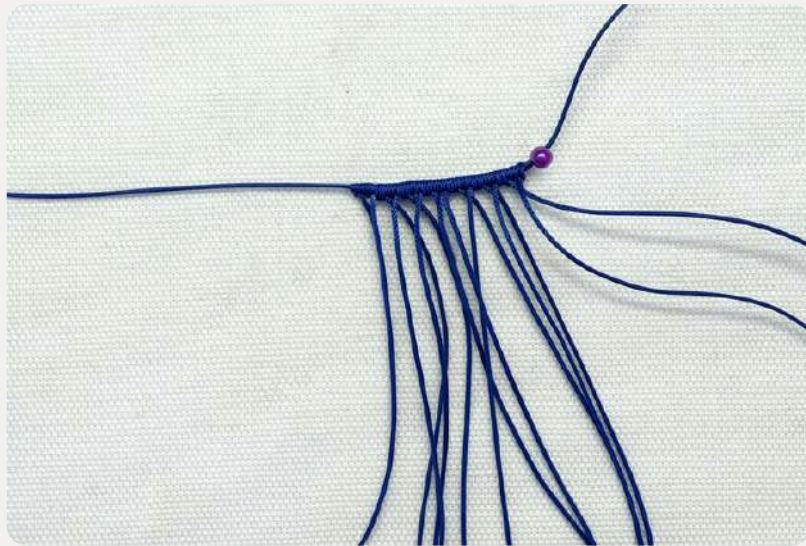
- *Waxed Cords (0.5 mm)*
- *Base cord: 1 × 15 cm*
- *Main cords:*
 - *3 × 20 cm*
 - *6 × 60 cm*
 - *2 × 30 cm*
- *Beads*
 - *2 beads – 8 mm (Eyes)*
 - *2 beads – 2 mm (Small decorative details)*
 - *1 wooden bead – 4 mm (Beak)*
- *Extra*
 - *1 Jump Ring*



Step 1: Prepare Base

Take the 15 cm cord as the base. Attach the remaining cords to it using Reverse Lark's Head Knots in this order:

1 cord (20 cm) → 5 cords (60 cm) → 1 cord (20 cm).



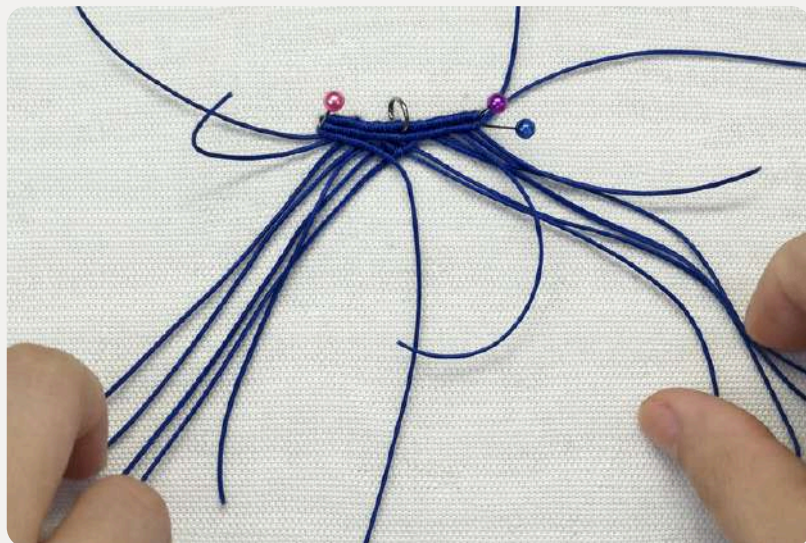
Step 2: Add the Keychain Ring

Insert the jump ring at the center of the base cord.



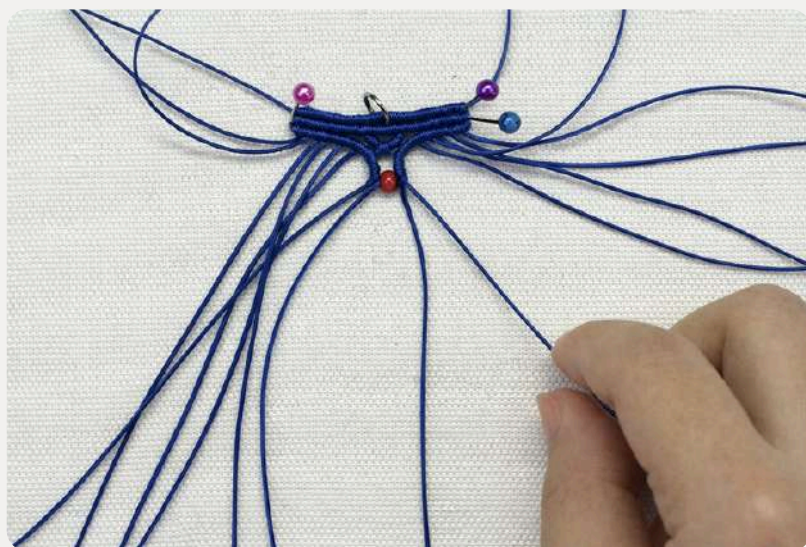
Step 3: Secure the Top

Place an extra 60 cm cord horizontally over all attached cords and secure them together using a row of Double Half Hitch Knots.



Step 4: Divide Cords for Symmetry

Divide the 14 working cords into two equal groups of 7 cords.



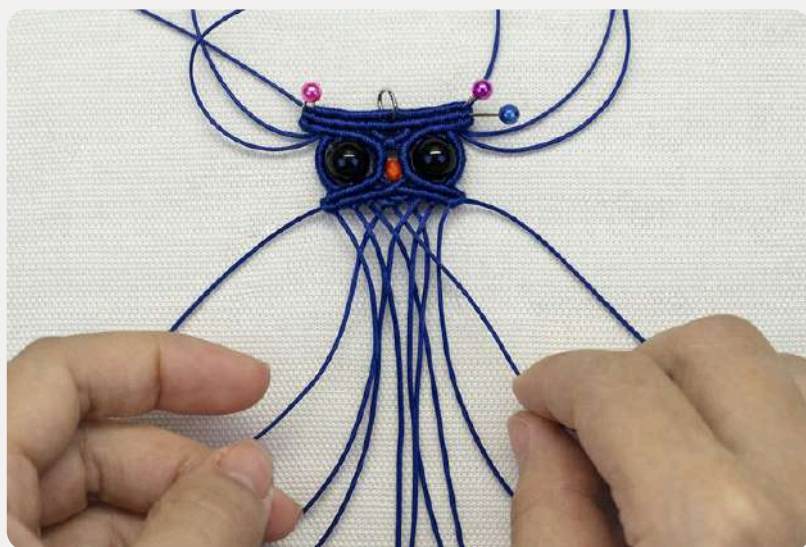
Step 5: Mark the Center

At the center, join one cord from each side using Double Half Hitch Knots to mark the middle of the owl's face.



Step 6: Create the Owl's Eye Frames

Create the eye outlines by using the outer cords as holding cords and tying Double Half Hitch Knots in a circular shape. Repeat the final knot 2–3 times to define each eye.



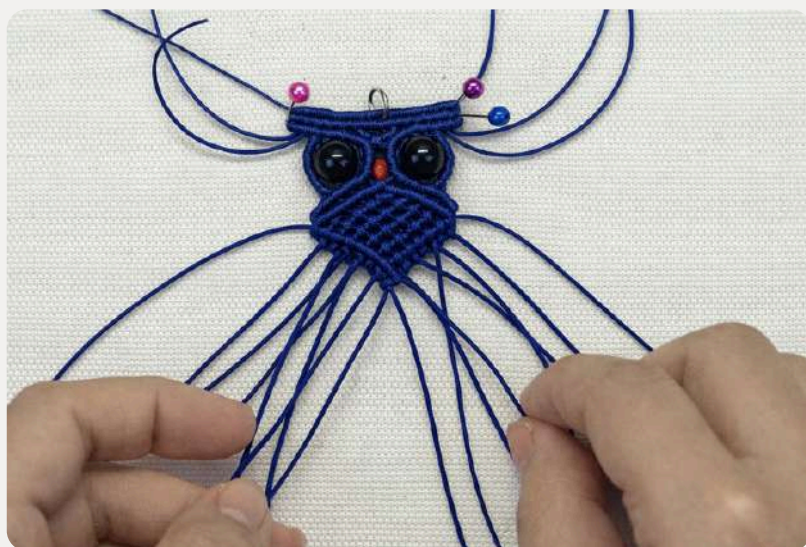
Step 7: Add the Beak

Insert the 4 mm wooden bead on the two center cords to form the beak, and secure it with one Double Half Hitch Knots on each side.



Step 8: Form the Eyes

Thread one 8 mm bead on each side for the eyes and cover them neatly by wrapping the side cords with alternating Double Half Hitch Knots.



Step 9: Shape the Body & Feet

Form the body using Half Hitch knots (one forward row and one reverse row) to make a rectangle, then cover the sides with Double Half Hitch Knots. Add 2 mm beads on 2–3 side cords for the feet.



Step 10: Finishing

Bring all cords together, tie one Square Knot to lock the design, trim the excess cords, and finish each end with an Overhand Knot.

*We hope this macrame eBook has sparked
your creativity!*

*Every knot tells a story, and we'd love to keep
creating more with you. Thank you for
supporting our journey and for choosing
handmade, mindful art.*

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