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Tatted OwI

This little guy was a collaboration. I came up with about $80 \%$ of it myself, but my husband and daughter came up with the rest. He sure would have been a sad little bird without their help!

He goes together quickly, and he's a lot of fun. This is a good practice piece for a beginner who is ready to try beads and "stacking" chains.

This is an experienced beginner pattern and requires one shuttle.
I used Lizbeth size 20 thread in White (601) and Linen Medium (693). I used some Flora thread I had on hand for the beak, but Lizbeth Harvest Orange Medium (694) will work just as well.

You will need:

Size 20 tatting thread 1 tatting shuttle Two 4 mm beads

Read this article to learn how to do a lock join: http://www.be-stitched.com/lockjoin.asp

Read this article to learn how to do the shoelace trick: http://www.be-stitched.com/shoelace.asp

Instructions:
Head and Body
Use white in the shuttle and brown for the ball thread. Add two 4 mm beads to the shuttle thread.

R: 3ds p 3ds p 3ds slide bead against work, 3ds p 3ds p 3ds close, turn
Ch: 12ds, turn
R: 3ds p 3ds j to p after the bead on previous R (3ds p) 3 times, 3ds, close, turn
Ch: 12ds turn
R: 3ds p 3ds j to 4th p of previous R, 3ds slide bead against work, 3ds p 3ds p 3ds close, turn
Ch: 12ds turn
R: 4ds p 4ds j to p after the bead on previous R (4ds p) 3 times, 4ds, close, do not turn
Starting body now...
R: 4ds j to last p of previous R (4ds p) 4 times, 4ds, close, turn


Ch: 16ds turn

R: 4ds p 4ds j to 4th p of previous R (4ds p) 3 times, 4ds, close, SL (do not turn)
Ch: 20ds, align with previous Ch and lj to base of ring, SL (do not turn)
Ch: 24ds, align with previous Ch and lj to base of ring, do not turn
Ch: 16ds turn
R: 4ds p 4ds j to 4th p of previous R (4ds p) 3 times, 2ds p 2ds, close, turn
Ch: 8ds turn
R: 2ds p 2ds j to last p of previous R (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, close, turn
Ch: 12ds turn
R: 2ds p 2ds j to 4th p of previous R (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, close, turn
Ch: 12ds turn
R: 2ds p 2ds j to 4th p of previous R (2ds p) 3 times, 2ds, close, turn
Ch: 8ds turn
R: 2ds j to 4th p of previous R 2ds p 4ds j to 4th p of previous large ring (4ds p) 3 times, 4ds, close, turn
Ch: 16ds turn
R: 4ds p 4ds j to 4th p of previous R (4ds p) 3 times, 4ds, close, turn
Ch: 16ds turn
R: 4ds p 4ds j to 4th p of previous R 4ds p 4ds j to 2nd p of first R in body, 4ds p 4ds, close, SL (do not turn)
Ch: 20ds, align with previous Ch and lj to base of ring, SL (do not turn)
Ch: 24ds, align with previous Ch and lj to base of ring, do not turn
Ending body now...
R: 4ds j to last p of previous R 4ds j to 4th p of last R in head (4ds p) 3 times, 4ds, close, turn
Ch: 12ds turn
R: 3ds p 3ds j to 4th p of previous R 3ds p 3ds j to 2nd p of first R, 3ds p 3ds, close, turn
Ch: 12ds
Cut and tie.

## Beak

Use this image as a reference.
Use the orange thread for the beak. Don't add thread to the shuttle just yet. Pass the thread through the center of the face. Using a fine crochet hook pull the thread from the back to the front in the space where the bead is for the left eye. Now attach it to the shuttle.

Ch: 6ds j to center $p$ of both large rings at the bottom of the head, 7ds.
Cut. Fold the second half of the chain up toward the right eye,
 then tie at the bead.

## Feather Tufts

Cut four 6" lengths of brown thread. Tie two of them at the base of each ring which has a bead in it. Trim to $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}(1 \mathrm{~cm})$ and fray.

