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The three owls are all based on the same basic pattern, starting with the largest which measures approximately 4½" then the medium owl which is 3½" and the smallest which is 2¼"

Materials required:-

Number 20 crochet cotton. Cream for the eyes, yellow for the beak, light brown for the wings and head and a natural/coffee colour for the main body, two large beads. Two shuttles.

Abbreviations

R	Ring	+B	Add bead to previous p
Ch	Chain	+	Join
p (-)	Picot	rw	Reverse Work
vsp	Very small picot	T & C	Tie & cut
lp	(--)	SR	Split Ring
/	Change shuttles when working a split ring		

Large Owl

Eyes

1 shuttle and cream thread. Start at the centre of the eye and work continuously until end of round 5

Round 1

R A: 1 - - 1

Ch: vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 5 times)

R B: 1 +B to p of R A 1

Ch: vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 5 times) + to vsp at start of round. See fig. 1

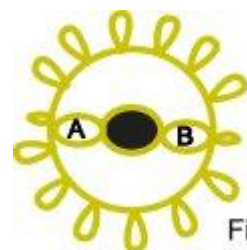
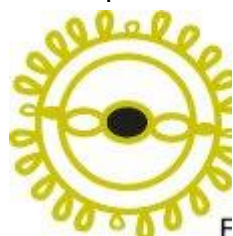


Fig. 1

Second and subsequent rounds do not show the picots of previous rounds as they overlap subsequent chains. Joining picots are shown.



Round 2

Ch: vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) + (vsp of round 1) vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) + (vsp at beginning of round 1)

See fig. 2.

Round 3

Ch: vsp 1* - 2 (rep from * 4 times) vsp 2 * - 2 (rep from * 3 times) - 1 + (vsp of round 2) vsp 1 * - 2 (rep from * 4 times) vsp 2 * - 2 (rep from * 3 times) - 1 (to vsp at beginning of round 2). See fig.3.

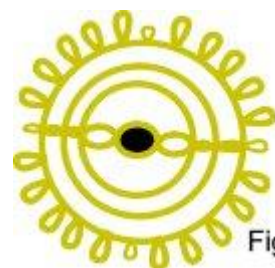


Fig. 3

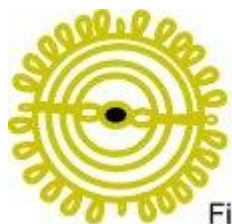


Fig. 4

Round 4

Ch: vsp (1st) 1 * - 2 (rep from * 4 times) - 1 + (vsp on round 3) vsp (2nd) 1 * - 2 (rep from * 4 times) - 1 + (vsp of round 3) vsp (3rd) 1 * - 2 (rep from * 4 times) - 1 + (vsp of round 3) vsp (4th) 1 * - 2 (rep from * 4 times) - 1 (to vsp at start of round). See fig. 4

Round 5

Ch: 1 * - 2 (rep from * 5 times) - 1 + (vsp of round 4)
 1 * - 2 (rep from * 6 times) - 1 + (vsp of round 4)
 1 * - 2 (rep from * 5 times) - 1 + (vsp of round 4)
 1 * - 2 (rep from * 6 times) - 1 + (vsp of round 4,
 T & C). 30 picots. See fig 5.

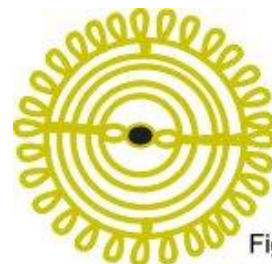


Fig 5

Make second eye in exactly the same way, but **do not join to each other**.

Neck

2 shuttles with the same natural/coffee colour. The neck consists of two rings and a split ring.

RA: (Shuttle 1) 2 + to any p on last round of both eyes (right sides facing – see figs. 6 & 15 join A) 2

RB: (**same** shuttle) 2 miss next p on left eye + to next p (figs. 6 & 15 join B) 2 vsp 2 - 2 close **rw**.

SRC: (Shuttle 2 – wrong side facing) 2 + to next but one p on right eye (fig. 6 & 15 join B) 2 / 2 + (to ring B using the **working shuttle thread**) 2

Ch: Second shuttle as working shuttle Ch 4 - 4 + vsp on ring B.

T & C.

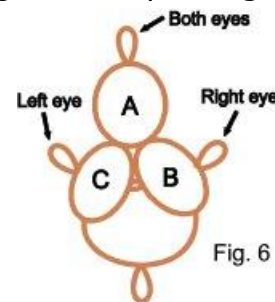


Fig. 6

Body

Two shuttles with the same colour as neck. **N.B. Leave a vsp before starting each chain for joining the ring of the following row.**

Row 1

RA: 2 - 2 - 2 - 2

Ch: vsp 4 - 4

RB: 2 + 2 + (C on right eye see fig. 15) 2 - 2

Ch: vsp 4 - 4

RC: 2 + 2 - 2 - 2

Ch: vsp 4 - 4

RD: 2 (pull 3rd p on last R through p on neck ch) + 2 - 2 - 2

Ch: vsp 4 - 4

RE: 2 + 2 + (C on left eye see fig. 15) 2 - 2

Ch: vsp 4 - 4

RF: 2 + 2 - 2 - 2. See fig. 7

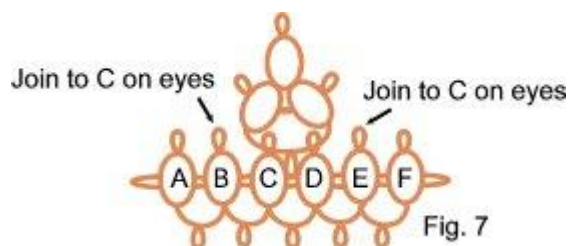
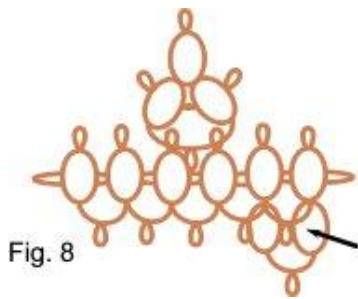


Fig. 7



2
taken you to the next row. See fig.8. RW & turn.

(vsp at base of next R of previous row) 2 - 2
times

until a total of 8 rows have been worked. T & C.

Row 9

R: 2 - 2 + (base of 2nd ring of row 8) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 vsp 4

R: 2 + 2 + (base of 3rd ring of row 8) 2 - 2

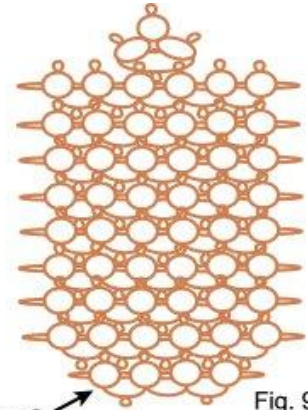
Ch: 8

R: 2 + 2 + (base of 4th ring of row 8) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 vsp 4

R: 2 + 2 + 2 - 2 . T & C See fig 9

Pull all picots to front of work to overlap joining picots of rings.

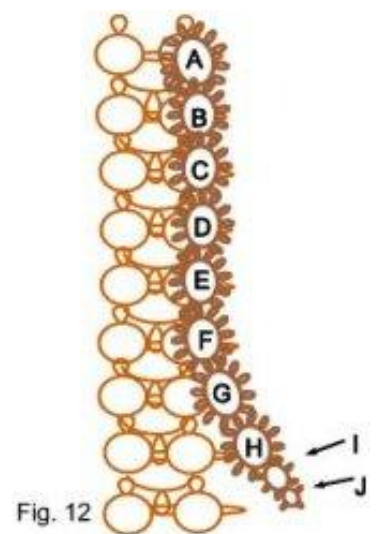
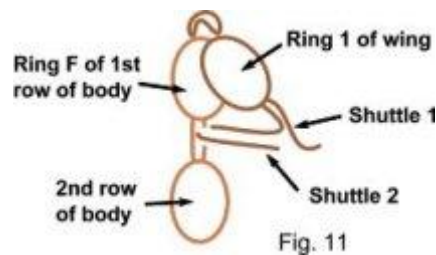
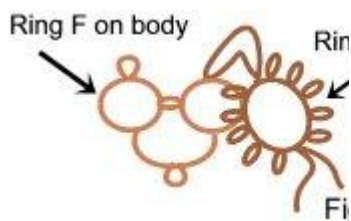


Wings

Light brown thread. Two shuttles. N.B. All joins to body or previous row of wing are made with right side facing.

Left Wing - first row

Join shuttle threads



RA: 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) + (2nd p of RF of 1st row of body - fig 10)

1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times). See fig. 10

Use thread from shuttle 2 (nearest to body) join to the bottom of the first row of the body of the owl (between the threads of split ring taking work to second row of body). See fig. 11

SRB: Using shuttle1 make 1 - 1 - 1 vsp 1 - 1 - 1 / 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times).

Join with shuttle 2 to the base of next row of body as before.

SR's C, D, E, F as ring B joining in the same way to body of owl.

SRG: As last ring **BUT do not join to body**

SRH: 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) / 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) **do not join to body**

SRI: 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 / 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 **do not join to body**

RJ: 1 - 1 - 1 - 1. T & C See fig. 12

(N.B. to improve the appearance of the diagram not all joins to the body are shown)

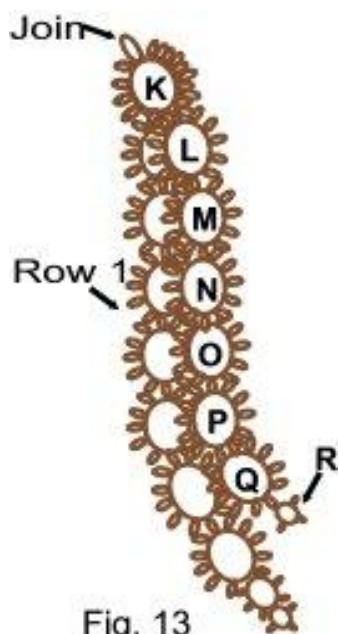


Fig. 13

Right Wing - first row

Work as for left wing with the following exceptions.

1. Join first ring to 2nd p, ring A, row 1 of body.
2. Use shuttle 1 to join to main body between split rings.
3. Make the vsp on the **outside** (ie using shuttle 2 of split ring).

Left Wing - second row

Join shuttle threads.

RK: 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) + to same p on body as ring A of first row of wing (see fig.13) 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times)

SRL: Use shuttle 1 first 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) / 1 - 1 - 1 + with **shuttle 2 thread** to vsp on ring B of first row 1 - 1 - 1

SR's M, N, O, P & Q as ring L joining ring M to ring C, ring N to ring D, ring O to ring E, ring P to ring F, ring Q to ring G in the same way.

RR: 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 T & C. See fig 13.

Right Wing - second row

As for left wing with the following exceptions.

1. Join first ring to second p, ring A, row 1 of body as before.
2. Use shuttle 1 to join to vsp's of first row of wing.

Head

Two shuttles, brown thread. See figs. 14 & 15 for joins. With right side facing.

R1: 2 + (2nd p, ring F on left side of body - same p as wings are joined to) 2 + (join D on left eye) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 - 4

R2: 2 + 2 + (join E) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 - 4

R3: 2 + 2 + (join F).2 - 2

Ch: 4 - 4

R4: 2 + 2 + (join G) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 - 4

R5: 2 + 2 + (join H) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 - 4

R6: 2 + 2 + (join I) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 using shuttle 2 make R 5 - 1 - 5 continue

Ch 4

R7: 2 + 2 + (join J) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 - 4

R8: 2 + 2 + (join K)

Ch: 4 - 4

Clover leaf of three rings at top of head:-

R9: 2 + 2 + (join L) 2 - 2

R10: 2 + 2 + (join M - both eyes) 2 - 2

R11: 2 + 2 + (join L, right eye) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 + (p of last ch) 4

Continue with second half of head to match first half.

Beak

Using yellow thread, the beak is worked as a solid block of chains. The work is **turned** at the end of each row, not **reversed** in the usual way, so the ds all lie the same way up. Start at the lower end of the beak with a false picot which is made by making the first picot over a safety pin (or something similar),

Ch: false p 1ds, work 2nd half of ds turn

Ch: 2nd half of ds leaving a vsp 2ds join to false p work 2nd half of ds turn

Ch: 2nd half of ds leaving a vsp 3ds join to p work 2nd half of ds turn

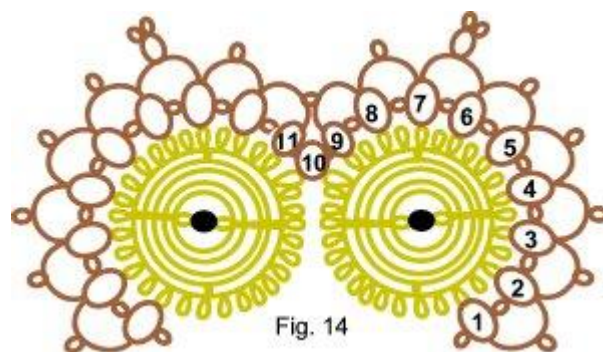


Fig. 14

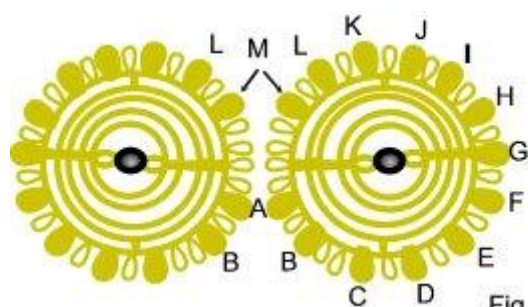


Fig. 15

Ch: 2nd half of ds leaving a vsp 4ds join to p work 2nd half of ds turn
 Ch: 2nd half of ds leaving a vsp 5ds join to p work 2nd half of ds turn
 Ch: 2nd half of ds leaving a vsp 6ds join to p work 2nd half of ds turn
 Ch: 2nd half of ds leaving a vsp 7ds join to p work 2nd half of ds turn
 Ch: 2nd half of ds leaving a vsp 8ds join to p work 2nd half of ds turn
 Ch: 2nd half of ds leaving a vsp 9ds join to p work 2nd half of ds turn
 Work second half p + to B on the left eye (fig. 15) 10 ds join then + to B on right eye T & C

Feet

Using brown thread, and shuttle only join to P of 1st chain of row 9 of body.

R: 2 - 2 - 2 - 2

Repeat for second foot

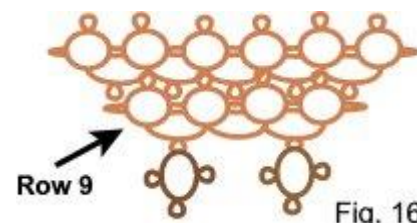


Fig. 16

Medium Owl

Eyes

Round 1 Work round 1 as large owl.

Round 2

Ch: vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 5 times) vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) + (vsp of round 1) vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 5 times) vsp 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) + (vsp at beginning of round 1) total of 22 picots.

Round 3

1 * - 2 (rep from * 12 times) - 1 + (vsp of round 2) 1 * - 2 (rep from * 12 times) - 1 + (vsp of round 2) T & C

Neck

As large owl joining as shown fig. 17, joins A & B.

Body

As large owl but with 4 rings across and six rows down. Join 1st and 4th rings on row 1 to join C on eyes leaving only 1 p free between B & C see fig. 17

Row 1

R A: 2 + 2 + (C on left eye see fig. 17) 2 - 2

Ch: vsp 4 - 4

RB: 2 + 2 - 2 - 2

Ch: vsp 4 - 4

RC: 2 (pull 3rd p on last R through p on neck ch) + 2 - 2 - 2

Ch: vsp 4 - 4

RD: 2 + 2 + (C on right eye see fig. 17) 2 - 2

Wings

1st row

Work as large owl joining the A rings of the wings to 1st (and last) rings of row 1 of body (joining to same p as the neck, fig. 17 join C). Work SR's B, C & D as large owl. Next work SR's H, I & J.

2nd row

Work as large owl joining ring K to same p as ring A in last row. Work SR's L, M & N as large owl. Next work SR's I & J as last row T & C.

Head - see figs 17 & 18

Rows 2 - 5 as large owl but do not T & C. Continue with a SR as before

Row 6

After SR

Ch: 4 vsp 4

R: 2 + 2 + (base of 2nd R of row 5) 2 - 2

Ch: 8

R: 2 + 2 + (base of 3rd R of row 5) 2 - 2

Ch: 4 vsp 4

R: 2 + 2 + (base of 4th R of row 5) 2 - 2

T & C

Pull all picots to front of work to overlap joining picots of rings.

R1: 4 + (join D) 2 - 2
 Ch: 4 - 4
 R2: 2 + 2 + (join E) 2 - 2
 Ch: as last
 R3: 2 + 2 + (join F) 2 - 2
 Ch: as last
 R4: 2 + 2 + (join G) 2 - 2
 Ch: 4 (using shuttle 2 make R 5 - 1 - 5) continue Ch 4
 R5: 2 + 2 + (join H) 4
 Ch: as last
 R6: 2 + 2 + (join I) 4
 Ch: 6 - 4 + (join J on both eyes) 4 + (p on same chain) 6
 R7: 4 + (join I on second eye) 2 - 2 Continue second eye to match first.

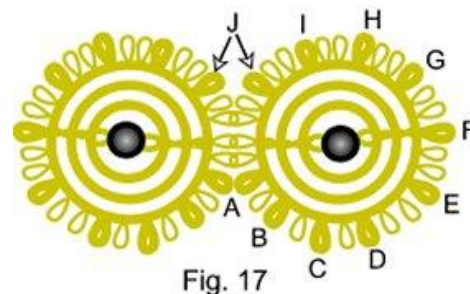


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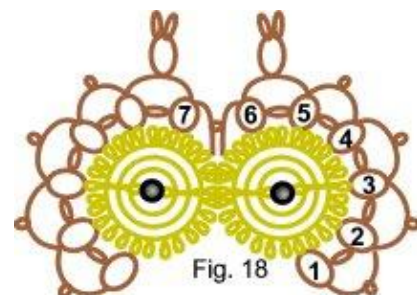


Fig. 18

Feet

Work as for large owl, attaching to the p's on row 6 of the body.

Smallest Owl

Eyes- using two shuttles both with cream thread and two beads
 R: 1 * - 1 (rep from * 8 times) add bead to core thread (Wsh) by pulling it down under the 5th picot, adding bead to this loop and then passing the Wsh through this loop. Carefully pull ring to close - see figs. 19 & 21. Leave a small gap of 1/4" and make:

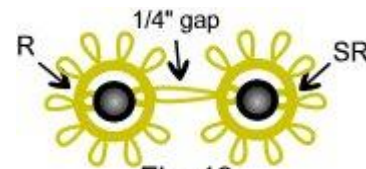


Fig. 19

SR: 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) / 1 * - 1 (rep from * 3 times). Add bead as before making loop from just before 1st double on first half of SR. T & C.

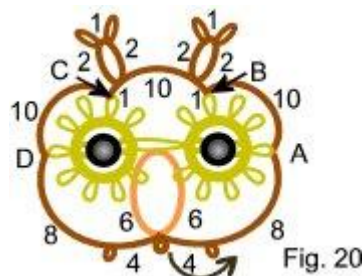


Fig. 20

Beak and Head

Two shuttles - yellow on one and light brown on the other:

R: 6 + (1/4" gap between eyes) 6.
 Ch: vsp 4 vsp 8 + (with shuttle thread to 5th p of eye, join A on fig. 20) 10 + (miss 2 p's of eye and join to next, join B) 1
 R: Using chain shuttle make ring of 2 - 1 - 2
 Ch: 10
 R: As last
 Ch: 1 (miss a p of each eye and join to next p on 2nd eye, join C)
 10 (miss 2 p's of eye and join to next p, join D) 8 vsp 4 join to base of beak.

Adding bead to inner working/shuttle thread. See fig. 21

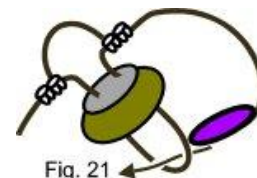


Fig. 21

Body and Feet

Two shuttles with light brown on each – the body is basically the same as the larger owls.

R: 2 – 2 + (vsp on head) 2 – 2

Ch: 4 – 4

R: 2 + 2 + (vsp at base of beak) 2 – 2

Ch: 4 – 4

R: 2 + 2 + (vsp on head) 2 – 2

SR: 2 – 2 / 2 – 2

Continue as other owls making feet on 3rd row as follows.

After SR of third row make a chain of 4

Ring on chain of 1 – 1 – 1 – 1

Make second foot in the same way

Wings

Join to vsp on head and make

R: 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) + (vsp on head) 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) Join to gap between 1st and 2nd row of head as previous owls.

SR: 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times) / 1 * - 1 (rep from * 4 times)

R: 1 * - 1 (rep from * 6 times) T & C

Make second wing to match

If you have any problems understanding and working this pattern, [please email](#) me.



Fig. 22