## **CONIFER FOREST MACRAME WALL HANGER**

**Design:** Lankava, Annikki Orrenmaa **Finished size:** 27x50cm (40x75cm)

**Yarn:** 300(500) g of Paulina Chunky Twine in Dark green (61) or Lion yellow (71) (80% recycled cotton, 20% polyester, 1kg = 180-

190m).

Other supplies: A tree stick, a needle, and sewing thread in the

color of the macrame twine.

**Lark's Head Knot = LHK (pic 1):** Fold a length in half. Take the fold around the stick from front to back, take the open ends through the loop, tighten the knot around the stick (= 2 working cords).

**Double Half Hitch Knot = DHHK (pics 2-3):** Work 2 half hitch knots around a horizontal (diagonal) filler cord.

<u>DHHK from left to right</u> (pic 2): Keep the filler cord horizontally (diagonally) in front of the working cords with your right hand, \*take a working cord up and around the filler cord, then take it back down to the left of itself, tighten the knot around the filler cord\*, repeat \*-\* once more with the same working cord. Tighten the knots next to each other

<u>DHHK from right to left</u> (pic 3): Keep the filler cord horizontally (diagonally) in front of the working cords with your left hand, \*take a working cord up and around the filler cord, then take it back down to the right of itself, tighten the knot around the filler cord\*, repeat \*-\* once more with the same working cord. Tighten the knots next to each other.

**Square Knot = SK (pic 4):** Use 4 cords to make the knot in 2 stages.

**Stage 1:** Take the left edge cord over the 2 middle cords and under the right edge cord, then take the right edge cord under the middle

cords and over the left edge cord, through the loop. Tighten by pulling the cords in the opposite directions.

**Stage 2:** Take the right edge cord over the middle cords and under the left edge cord, then take the left edge cord under the middle cords and over the right edge cord, through the loop. Tighten. = 1 SK.

Alternating Half Hitch Knot = AHHK (pic 5): Use 2 cords to make the knot in 2 stages.

**Stage 1:** Take the left cord around the right cord from front to back, then back to front, over itself. Tighten.

**Stage 2:** Take the right cord around the left cord from front to back, then back to front, over itself. Tighten. Note: When making diagonal DHHKs, keep the filler cord diagonal.

**Instructions:** The piece consists of three parts: the middle part, curved side parts, and fringes.

**Middle part:** Cut 10 (14) lengths of 170(200)cm, and one 40(60)cm filler cord. Fold the lengths in half, except the filler, and attach them onto the stick using LHKs. Pin the filler cord of its middle into the middle of the working cords. Knot one end of the filler cord around the stick, left of the working cords. Remove the pin. Keep the filler cord horizontal and make 1 DHHK around it with each working cord = 20 (28) DHHKs. Tighten the knots immediately under the stick. Leave the filler cord and 4 cords at each edge waiting and make 3 (5) rows of alternating SKs with the middle cords, as follows:

**Row 1:** \*Make 1 SK with 4 cords\*, repeat \*-\* 2 (4) more times = 3 (5) SKs.

Row 2: Make 2 (4) alternating SKs between the SKs from previous row.

Row 3: Make 1 (3) alternating SK(s) between the SKs from previous row. Rows 4-5 only for the larger piece.

Row 4: Make 0 (2) alternating SKs between the SKs from previous row.

Row 5: Make 0 (1) alternating SK between the SKs from previous row.

Next, take the filler cord waiting at the left back into the work, keep it diagonally underneath the SKs and make 10 (14) DHHKs around it, from left to right. In a mirror image, take the filler cord waiting at the right and make 10 (14) DHHKs around it, from right to left. Weave in the ends of the filler cords now meeting at the middle on the wrong side. Mark 2 middle working cords for attaching the side parts later.

**Side parts:** Cut 6 (10) lengths of 270(300)cm. Attach 3 (5) lengths using LHKs onto the stick, on both sides of the middle part. Begin with the right side part. Make the first cord from left a filler cord.

Row 1: Keep the filler cord horizontal and make 5 (9) DHHKs around it from left to right.

Continue to work rows of DHHKs around the filler cord in a zigzag pattern (see picture).

Row 2: Keep the filler cord diagonal and make 5 (9) DHHKs around it from right to left.

**Row 3:** Keep the filler cord diagonal and make 5 (9) DHHKs around it from left to right.



Repeat rows 2-3 in total 4 times. Repeat the same DHHKs for the left side part in a mirror image. Leave the cords of the side parts waiting. Take the 2 cords marked at the end of the middle part and measure approx. 5(7)cm below the DHHKs, mark this spot. The side parts will be attached at this mark so that the side parts form arches around the middle part. Make 3 (5) AHHKs downwards from the mark and sew the side parts by hand on both sides of the first knot (pic 6). Knot the filler cords of the side parts together but leave an approx. 1cm space on both sides before the knot, for attaching the fringes later. Move the cords of the upper AHHKs at the back of the work. Make 6 AHHKs with the filler cords that were knotted together.

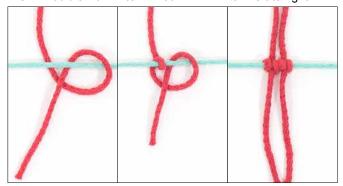
**Fringes:** Cut 20 lengths of 100(115)cm, and 2 lengths of 120(150)cm. Attach these lengths using LHKs into the lowest arches of the curved side parts, to make fringes. Attach two shorter cords on both sides of the middle arch, 4 shorter cords onto the next arches outwards, then 1 longer and 3 shorter cords, and finally 1 short cord. Make 6 AHHKs with the longer cords.

Finishing: Cut fringes into desired length.

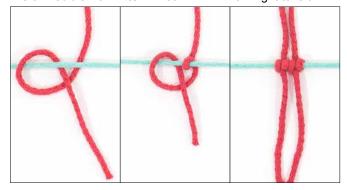
**Pic 1:** Lark's Head Knot = LHK



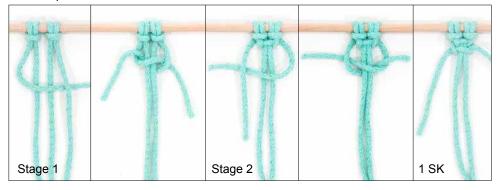
Pic 2: Double Half Hitch Knot = DHHK from left to right



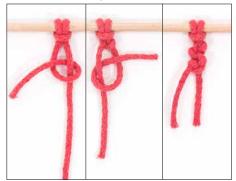
Pic 3: Double Half Hitch Knot = DHHK from right to left



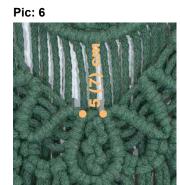
Pic 4: Square Knot = SK



Pic 5: Alternating Half Hitch Knot = AHHK



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