

# WALL HANGING

Make a feathered feature for your wall using rope and simple macrame techniques

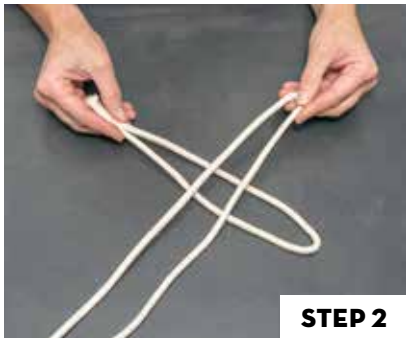
The art of knotting cord into patterns, macrame is a versatile craft you can use to create unique pieces for you and your home – from plant holders to string bags and quirky jewellery. This project turns rope and string into a wall hanging featuring macrame feathers hung from a branch for an organic decoration that will inject your home with boho style.



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## EASY STEPS TO YOUR WALL HANGING



STEP 2



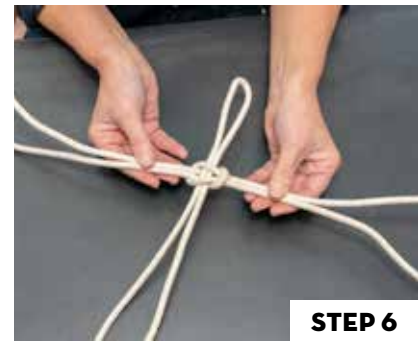
STEP 4



STEP 3



STEP 5



STEP 6

### Gather your supplies

- Cotton rope
- Cotton string
- Faux feathers
- Tree branch

### You'll also need

Fabric shears; brush cleaning comb; hot-glue gun

### Here's how

**STEP 1** Cut a 1.2m length of rope for the spine. Cut 4 x 60cm, 4 x 50cm and 4 x 40cm lengths of rope for the strands.

**STEP 2** Fold one 60cm strand in half and lay crossways on work surface. Lay the spine, centred, on top of the strand with the looped end of spine at least 12cm above strand.

**STEP 3** Fold another 60cm strand in half and take the looped end over the tails of the first strand.

**STEP 4** Take the tails of the second strand under the loop of the first.



STEP 7

**STEPS 5, 6** Holding onto the tails at both ends, pull until the strands form a knot over the spine.

**STEP 7** Attach the remaining pairs of folded 60cm strands, then the 50cm and 40cm in the same way.

**STEP 8** Working from the bottom, use brush cleaning comb to tease out each rope strand to create a fluffy effect. Use your other hand to hold

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**STEP 8**



**STEP 9**



**STEP 10**



**STEP 15**



down the spine to prevent the central knots from being pulled loose.

**STEP 9** When all the strands have been teased out with the comb, use scissors to trim the strands on an angle to create the shape of feather. Trim the spine.

**STEP 10** Holding the feather by the top loop, use your other hand to fluff out the strands and tighten any loose knots. Wrap a piece of cotton cord around the branch and tie it onto the loop of the feather.

**STEP 11** Repeat to make 3 smaller feathers out of string.

**STEP 12** To make rope design, fold a 2m rope length in half and take the loop over and under the branch, and pull rope tails through the loop. Repeat to attach 8 rope lengths to the branch.

**STEP 13** Working with 4 cords, create left-facing square knots. Take the left working cord 1 over filler cords 2 and 3, then under

right working cord 4. Take working cord 4 under filler cords and over working cord 1. Pull both working cords to tighten, keeping the filler cords straight. Working cord 1 is now on the right and working cord 4 is now on the left. Take working cord 1 over the filler cords and under working cord 4. Take working cord 4 under filler cords and over working cord 1. Pull working cords to tighten, keeping filler cords straight, to make a left-facing square knot. Repeat to make more knots across and then down the design.

**STEP 14** Use the comb to tease out the tails of ropes in the design.

**STEP 15** Use hot glue to attach fake feathers to a few of the knots and tie smaller string feathers onto other knots. ■

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