

Downeast Thunder Farm Osprey

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Make two mirror images of this bird so you can sew them together to create a double-sided bird.

Cut a circle of yellow for the eye. Layer the eye and head on the body front. Tack the eye into place with a black French knot. Edge the outer part of the yellow eye with black floss. Place the beak and tack with a couple of stitches in black where the beak opening would be.

Position the tail and tack. Align the wing overlapping the head and tail and add decorative stitching using one strand of black embroidery floss. Add the decorative stitching around the legs.

Fashion a bit of wire for the claw. Tack the claw to the wrong side of one of the body piece. Pin the body front and back together and sew the edges together with a blanket stitch using two strands of brown embroidery floss, pausing to stuff with fiberfill before completing. When stitching around the tufts of feathers at the back of the head, run the stitches between the tufts. When you get to the tail, stitch the body between the tail pieces rather than stitching around the tail.

Have Fun!

