

SEDUCING THE BOWERBIRD
 Jewellery by
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the Bowerbird is an unusual bird native to Australia. The male of the species spends 9 months a year building and designing a bower nest, a collection of twigs, branches and striking colored objects such as shells, flowers, feathers, berries, and even discarded plastic pegs and straws. The bird works for hours everyday, carefully sorting and rearranging the collection with each object in a specific place. No two bowers are the same - the collection of objects reflect the personal taste of each bird and its ability to procure rare and unusual items.

*for Kyoko Hashimoto, this collection's design was her seduction of the bowerbird living inside her head. The inspirations and influences come from many different sources; Art Deco jewellery, Victorian lace patterns and Japanese cartoon characters. She has sorted and refined these forms over the months to create those select pieces which look just right...
 ...for the bower.*



***a & b Tamagocchi Pendant (Black & White):** acrylic, brass, sterling silver, 65 x 50 x 6 mm, brass chain 850mm **c & d Baby Tamagocchi Pendant in Silver (White & Black):** acrylic and sterling silver, 40 x 30 x 6 mm, sterling silver chain 450 mm **e Mesh Earrings:** sterling silver, 35 x 35 x 0.7 mm, sterling silver hooks **f & g Mesh Reversible Necklace (Black & White):** acrylic, wood, sterling silver, 150 x 80 x 6 mm, polymer chain 350 mm **h Feather Earrings:** acrylic, sterling silver, 45 x 33 x 4 mm, sterling silver hooks **i Silver Dinner Party:** sterling silver, 45 x 32 x 0.9 mm, sterling silver chain 400mm **j Dinner Party Reversible Necklace:** acrylic, wood, oxidised sterling silver, 140 x 50 x 6 mm, polymer chain 350 mm **k Marshmallow Necklace:** acrylic, sterling silver, 150 x 45 x 6 mm, polymer chain 350 mm **l & m Lace Earrings (Black & White):** acrylic, 43 x 30 x 3 mm, sterling silver sleepers **n Lace Necklace:** acrylic, oxidised sterling silver, 140 x 40 x 6 mm, polymer chain 350 mm*



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