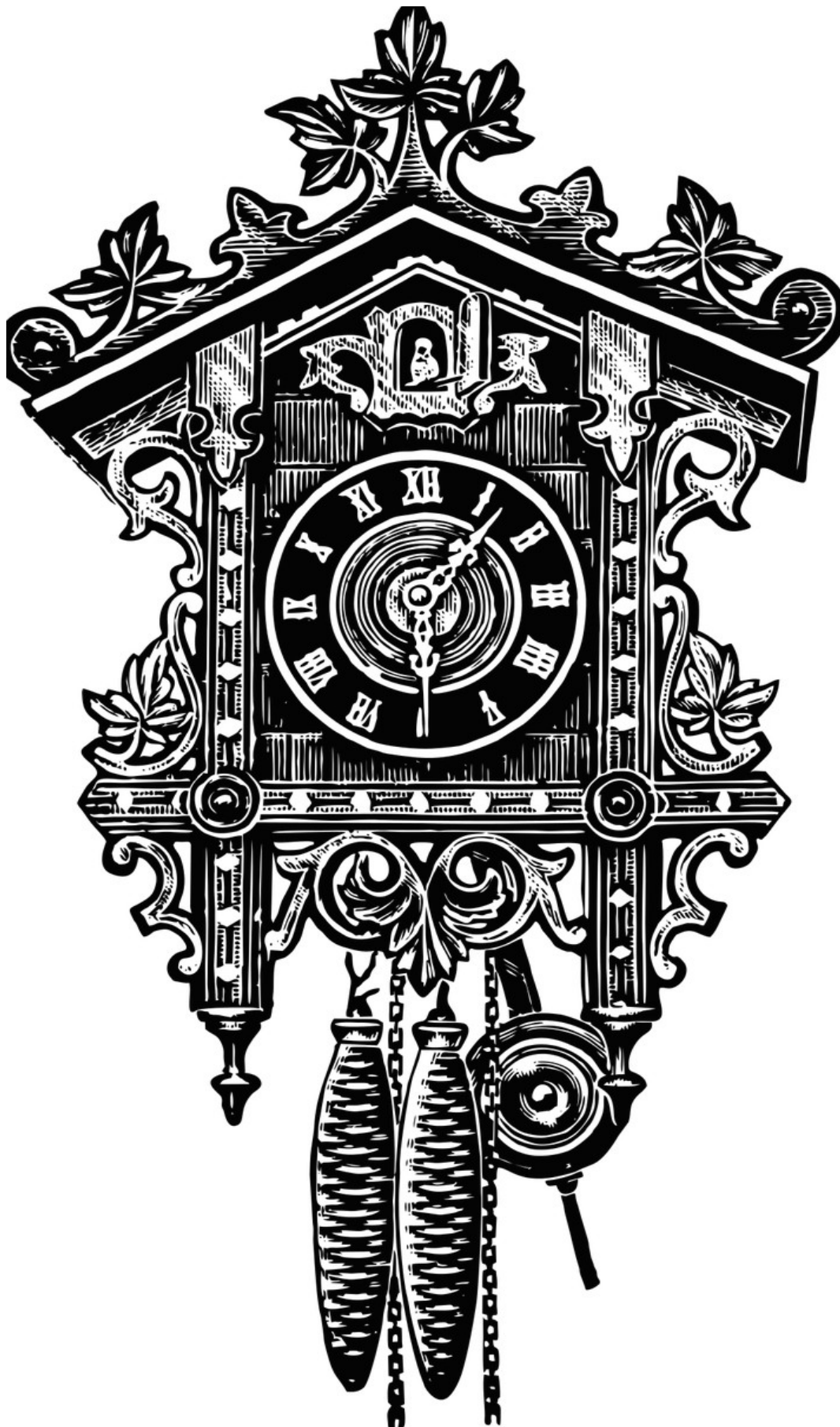


Here is a cuckoo on a branch for you to colour. He is a rather grey bird with a bright yellow iris to his eye and black and white stripes on his chest. His feet are yellow and so is his beak but his beak is tipped with dark grey. The cuckoo flies many miles during his migration. Like many other British birds such as swifts and swallows cuckoos go to warmer countries to avoid the cold winter weather. They fly every year from Britain to the Jungles of the Congo in Africa and back again. Unlike the other birds I mentioned however, when the cuckoos returns to Britain they do not build nests to raise their young. Instead Mrs Cuckoo lays her egg in the nest of another bird such as a Dunnock or meadow pipit. I'm sorry to say that the baby cuckoo grows fast, pushes the other birds or eggs out of the nest and greedily eats all the food provided by its foster parents! You can see a map of the cuckoos' migration routes here: <https://www.bto.org/our-science/projects/cuckoo-tracking-project>



Here is a cuckoo clock to colour or to inspire you to make your own model.