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Cybersecurity researchers have discovered a malicious npm package that masquerades as an OpenClaw installer to deploy a remote access trojan (RAT) and steal sensitive data from compromised hosts.

The package, named "@openclaw-ai/openclawai," was uploaded to the registry by a user named "openclaw-ai" on March 3, 2026. It has been downloaded 178 times to date. The library is still available for

<https://thehackernews.com/2026/03/malicious-npm-package-posing-as.html>

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Supply chain 101—low downloads don't matter when targeting dev environments.

Fake "OpenClaw" npm installer pushing a RAT on macOS = credential theft + persistence entry point. Once it lands, it's not about 178 installs—it's about who installed it.

Same pattern: trust abuse, typosquatting vibes, and zero scrutiny on dependencies.