

Tuxedo Bow



Materials:

2 1/4" wide ribbon
Floral wire
Wire cutters
Hot glue
Barrette or alligator clip

Instructions:

This bow works best with 2 1/4" wide ribbon. Measure one yard of 2 1/4" ribbon. Holding ribbon face up, measure one inch, twist between fingers 1/2 turn and measure about four inches. Fold ribbon to form a loop, holding between fingers to secure. Twist ribbon again 1/2 turn and continue this process in the opposite direction, making a loop on the other side.

Measure about three inches of ribbon to form a loop, twist 1/2 turn, then measure three inches to form a loop on the opposite side. Using a five inch length of floral wire, crisscross across the center of the bow, cinch down tightly. Trim the excess ribbon while leaving about 1/4 inch extending from beyond the wired center in front and back of the tuxedo bow. Trim excess wire with wire cutters. With approximately three inches of matching 5/8" ribbon, create a center loop. Hot glue this to the center of the bow and around to the back. Fasten to a large hair barrette and hot glue to the back of the bow.



Finish the edges of the fabric strips or ribbon lengths with Fray Check or a similar fray-proofing product.