

# The Tuxedo Bow

The Tuxedo bow is one of the easiest bows to make! They will be easier to make and handle if you use woven ribbon such as grosgrain or satin. So I would suggest using one of those to start off with.

Use 2 1/4" wide ribbons for this bow. Measure one yard of 2 1/4" ribbon.



Holding ribbon face up measure about one inch, twist between fingers 1/2 turn and measure about four inches. Fold ribbon to

form a loop, making sure to hold between fingers tightly to secure.



Twist ribbon again  $\frac{1}{2}$  turn and continue this process in the opposite direction, making a loop on the other side.



Next measure approx. 3 inches of ribbon to form a loop, twist  $\frac{1}{2}$  turn, measure three inches to form a loop on the opposite side.

Take a piece of wire, clear string or elastic band about four or so inches long and crisscross across the center of the bow, make sure that you cinch down tightly!!



Trim off the excess ribbon while leaving about 1/4 inch extending from the center in front and back of the bow. Use 2-3" of matching ribbon to create a center loop. Hot glue the loop to the center of the bow and around to the back. You will need a french clip, now hot glue your clippie to the back of the bow. Here is a tip that I like to do. Cut out a piece of thinner ribbon, the same kind/color of the

ribbon that you used for the bow or felt that matches your bow, cut it in a circle if you use felt or if you use ribbon cut a small strip and glue that over the area that you just glued. It looks much nicer that way, more finished.



Next.. Just have fun adding some pretty things into the center of your new Tuxedo bow! Adding some embellishments to the center of your Tuxedo Bow! A bead or two, a charm, rhinestones, or button. The choices are endless!

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