

ffis009b ~ Holly Stack Boxes & Bow Maker Tutorial



Bow Maker Supplies

- X-acto knife and fresh blade
- Metal straight-edge ruler
- Cutting mat
- Small piece of mat board or other thick cardboard
- 4 thumb tacks
- 2 nails
- Ribbon (preferably 1/16" wide)

1. Glue the tacks and nails as shown with heavy duty glue. The nails are about 3/4" apart. The nails do not need to be the same length, as you can see from this sample.

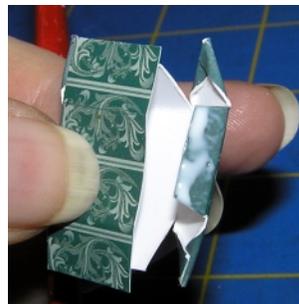
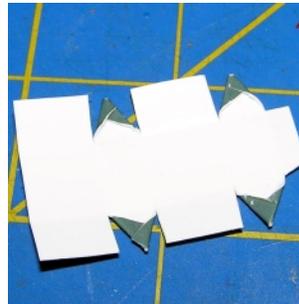
2. Center the first piece of 1/16" ribbon and poke onto tacks as shown. This piece will tie around the middle of the bow to hold it secure. Make your ribbon ends long so that they will wrap around stack.

3. Next take the end of your ribbon spool and poke onto the left tack as shown.

4. Take the ribbon and create a figure "8" pattern on the two nails. Three loops per side is the size this tutorial uses.

5. When you are done making figure "8s", secure the tail end of the ribbon by poking it on the right side's tack.

6. Next, slip the first ribbon from it's tacks, and tie a tight knot at the center point of the bow. The bow is now complete and you can remove it from the other two tacks. Slide the bow from the nail shafts.



- Metal straight-edge (ruler). Make fold lines by pressing against the edge of the ruler.
- White craft glue that is a "quick grab" "clear dry" type of glue.
- X-acto blade tool and fresh blade
- A true cutting mat
- Small artist brush with which to paint on glue
- Small piece of aluminum foil to squeeze work glue onto. This will act as your glue pot
- Small detailing scissors/embroidery snips

1. Cut around piece and slice on right-angle of the plain colored wedges.

2. Fold down wedges to create triangular flaps.

3. Glue wedges in place as shown in photo.

4. Use metal straight-edge ruler and crease to create box shape. Glue large tab to inside blank surface of the box.

5. Glue flat end pieces in place.

6. Glue flaps in place.



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