



Materials for Making a Fabric Bow Only:

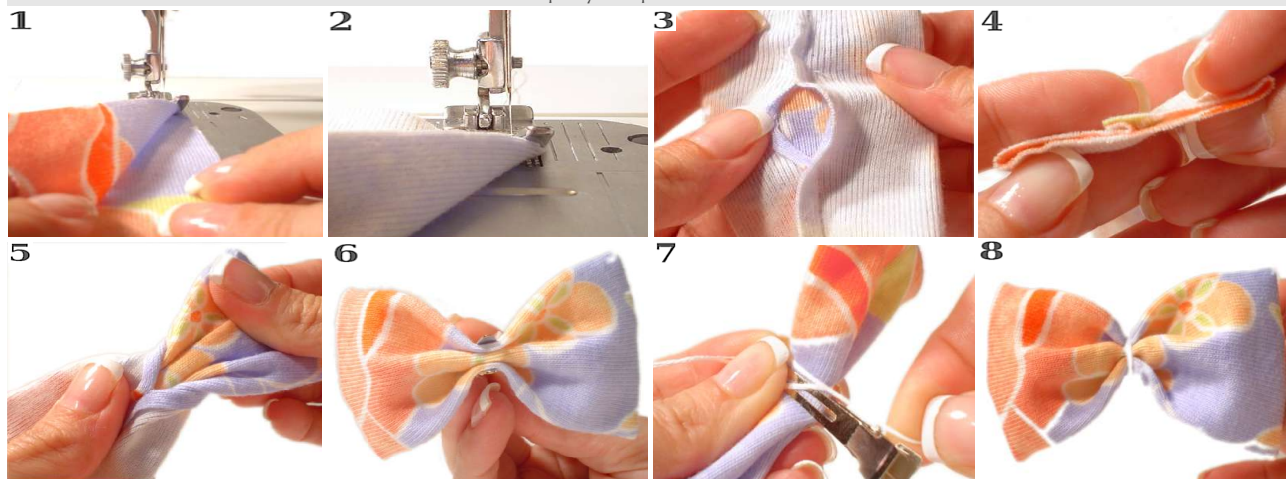
- 4 ½" by 3 ½" fabric square
- sewing machine **or** needle and thread
- 6" of embroidery floss
- 1 alligator pinch clip

See more details on this complete set pictured, on page 32.

LAMB Says...

You can also use these same instructions to make a fabric wrap bow. The only difference is that instead of using 4 ½" by 3 ½" of fabric, use 4 ½" by 11 ½" inches.

Step-by-Step Illustrations



Making a Fabric Bow

- 1.** Fold the fabric pattern side in lengthwise along the 4 ½" cut. Place fabric (to sew along the 4 ½" cut) in your sewing machine.
- 2.** Make sure your pressure foot and feeders are both making contact with the fabric, and that the needle position is as close as possible to the edge of the fabric.
- 3.** Starting at one end, sew a straight stitch about 1/3 of the way. Lock the stitch with a quick backstitch. Repeat this for the other end. You should have a small hole (approx. 1") in the center of the seam. Soon, you will pull the fabric through this hole.
- 4.** Keeping the fabric pattern side in (inside out), move the seam to the **center** of the fabric. Fold the seam down. Keeping the guidelines in step 2 mind, completely sew both open ends closed.
- 5.** Turn the fabric bow inside out by pulling the fabric through the hole. Check the finished bow to ensure that all corners are neatly pointed.
- 6.** Make sure the topside of the bow is facing up. Fold the center of the bow in half lengthwise, by folding edges to the **back** of the bow. Then fold both side edges towards the front of the of the bow. Clip off the center. Note: You can create a different look by reversing this fold. LAMB uses both forward and backward folds.
- 7.** Use the floss to secure the center. Wrap the floss around the center twice, pull it tight and tie it into a knot.
- 8.** Adjust the fabric bow and use this bow to stack on top of a grosgrain bow, on a headband or alone! The choice is yours!

LAMB's Design Ideas:



**Adding Lace:** Split the fabric into 2 pieces by cutting along the fold mentioned in step 1. Now, sew the lace on the pattern side of the fabric. To do this, line up the lace with the edge of the fabric. Make sure the lace's decorative part is facing down on the fabric. Simply tack the lace on by machine or hand (LAMB does it by hand). Now, we will attach the two fabrics. Place the two fabrics on top of each other with their patterns (and lace), facing each other. Start sewing 1/3 of the length of the 4 ½" and continue around **all** sides, making sure you leave a 1" hole in the middle on one of the 4.5" sides. Then proceed with steps 5 through 8 above.



**Adding Beading:** Save time, and buy trim with the beading already done! Follow the "Adding Lace" tip (above) and use the beaded trim in place of the lace.

**Quick tip:** Dot both of the cut ends of the trim with instant glue to prevent your beads from unraveling while you are making the fabric bow.



**Fabric Wrap Bow:**

Simply follow the "Making a Fabric Bow" on page 11, but use 4 ½" by 11 ½" of fabric. After the bow (tube) is made, wrap it around the center of the headband (slide hole) and tie both ends together once. Adjust the bow and knot so that any exposed seams are turned to the **back** of the bow.

When you want to use a different bow on this headband, simply remove the fabric wrap bow and clip on another bow using the headband's slide hole.