

Paper Bows



Supplies

Scissors/papertrimmer/Guilotine

Adhesive Wet Glue

Brads 3

Double Sided Paper 12 x 6 inches

Step-by-step

This project works best with double sided paper but will work just as well with single sided.

With the paper positioned so that the 12 inch is horizontal start by cutting 8, 1 inch strips.

Next Turn the paper 45 degrees and cut 1, 1 inch strip (this will be the centre finishing piece).

Turn the remaining paper back 45 degrees and cut 4, more 1 inch strips. (keep these separate from the first 8).

Place your first 8 strips pattern side down and taking one fold both ends in towards the centre so that the ends overlap and punch a hole through (you are making a cone shape).

Repeat this for the remaining 11 strips but keep the first 8 separate from the last 4 you cut.

Assemble

Now one by one fold the first of the 8 strips again this time put a brad through the holes that you punched add 3 more folded strips and fan out the cones so that they are positioned at north, south, east & west and flatten out the brad (this is your first layer)

Repeat with the next 4 (this is your second layer)

Repeat with the last 4 strips which are slightly shorter than the other 8 (this is the third layer)

Fold the remaining strip and secure the ends together with glue this is the centre finishing piece.

Now stick layer two on top of layer one and layer three on top of layer 2 add the centre piece and you are finished.

Don't be tempted to try and assemble this with double sided tape or a glue runner, your bow will hold for a while but will spring apart eventually, I know because I've tried it.