

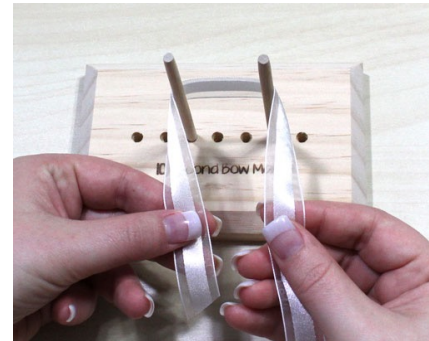
10 Second Bow Maker

Instructions For the Basic Bow

Step 1:

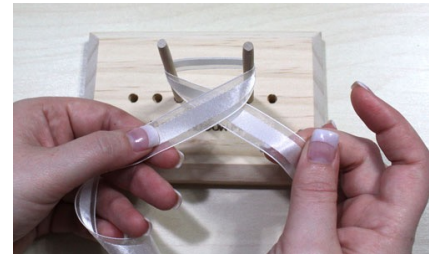
Start with your dowels the width that you would like your finished bow to be. Have the ribbon behind your dowels.

If you want to keep your ribbon on the spool, to decrease wasted ribbon, have your spool on the right side and the cut edge on your left.



Step 2:

Cross the ribbon in your right hand over the ribbon in your left hand. Hold and then switch your hand placement.



Step 3:

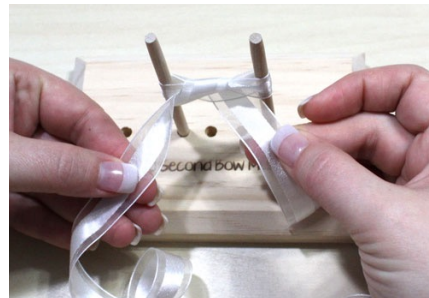
Bring the ribbon that is now in your right hand up and in between your two dowels.



Step 4:

Bring the ribbon in your right hand down, wrapping it under the ribbon between the dowels. You want your hands to finish back where they are in Step 2.

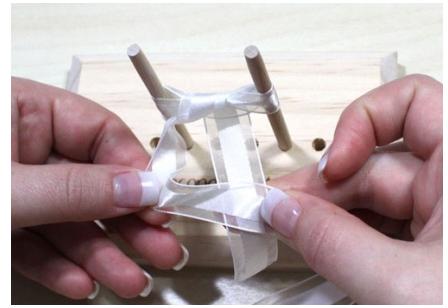
The entire motion will be up and over, then around and through.



Step 5:

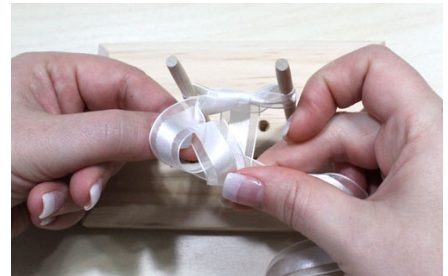
Cross the ribbon in your left hand on top of the ribbon in the right hand creating a loop.

(Some see this as looking like the number 4.)



Step 6:

Take the ribbon tale that is straight down and pull it up, thread it through the loop you created to tie your knot.



Step 7:

Grab the tale that you threaded through your loop with your left hand. Grab the other end of your ribbon with your right.

Pull straight out to the left and right.



Step 8:

By sliding the knot in the middle of your bow to the left and right, center your knot in your bow.



Step 9:

To remove your bow, pull it straight up off your dowels. Trim your ribbon tails as you would like.

**To untie your ribbon, slip one finger into the loop and pull on the loop.

