

# How to Make Korker Bows

First you need to gather all of your supplies.

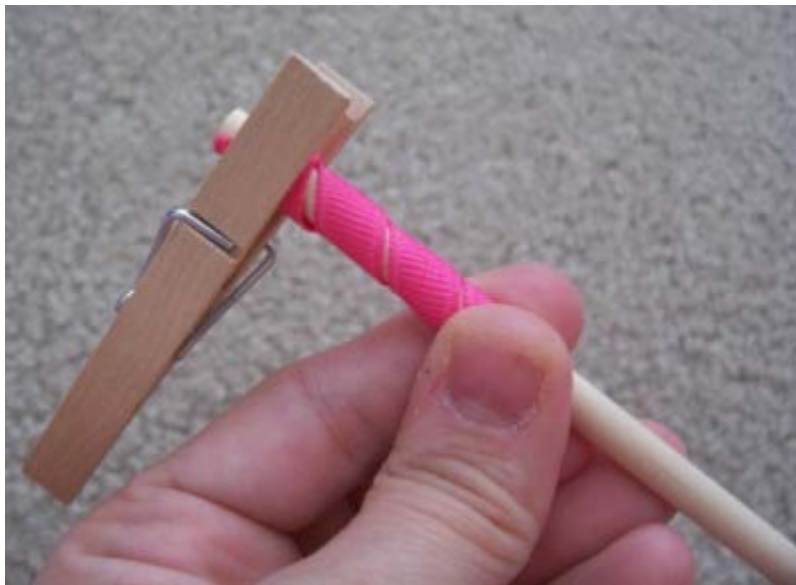
You will need:

3/8" grosgrain ribbon  
1/4" wooden dowels  
Wooden clothes pins  
Tin Foil  
1/8" grosgrain ribbon  
Scissors  
Fray Check  
French Clip  
Hot Glue Gun  
Glue Sticks

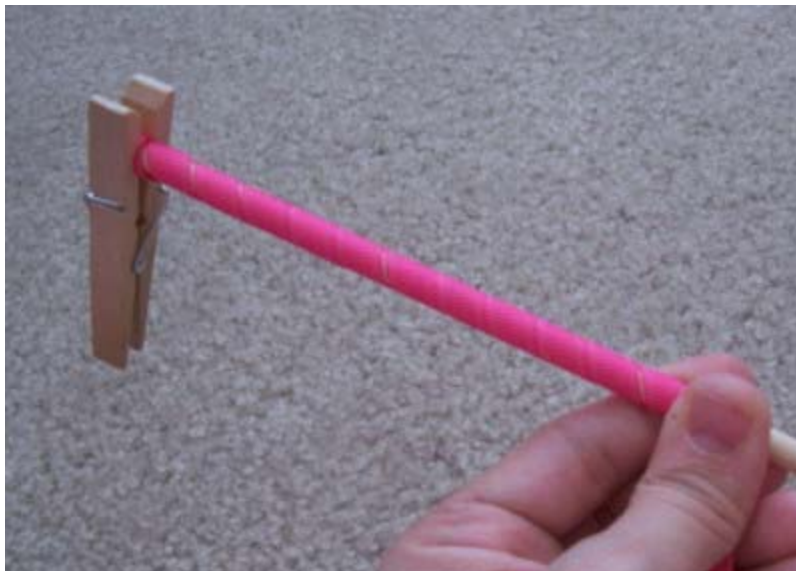


You will need 9 dowels to make one korker bow.

Take one of your wooden dowels and roll ribbon around one of the ends. Secure with a wooden clothes pin.



Continue to roll your ribbon down the wooden dowel until you reach the end of your dowel. Secure the end with another clothes pin.



Here are 9 finished rolled dowels (for one korker bow)



Next, place your ribbon rolled dowels in a pre-heated 275 degree oven, that the shelf is lined with tin foil. Never let your korkers touch the wire oven rack or it will burn the ribbon and leave black marks on the ribbon. Bake the ribbons for 15-20 minutes.



After the korkers have baked for 15-20 minutes, carefully remove them from your oven using a pot holder. Let ribbons cool for at least 5 minutes before handling.

To make your korker bow take your cooled dowels with ribbon and the below supplies.



Next, unravel the korker ribbon from your cooled dowels.



Here are all of the korkers unraveled.



Lay out a korker strand and cut into 4" pieces (for a 4" bow)



I am using 3 different colors for my korker bows, here are the cut pieces.



Cut a 12" piece of 1/8" grosgrain ribbon (to tie off your center) and lay on your working surface. You now need to start laying down your first row of korker ribbons. This first row will have 10 korkers laying down.



For your second row you will need to lay out 8 korker ribbons at an angle.



For your third row stack 8 more korkers as your third layer (at an angle as well).



For your fourth and final row you will stack 6 korkers onto the very top.



Now you will need to bring around your thin strips of tying ribbon around to the top of the bow. Do this very carefully as to not disturb and knock over your korker stack.



Next you need to **TIGHTLY** tie your ribbon. Pull your ribbon very tightly to make sure non of the korkers can slip out! You

will want to double knot this.



Next, trim off your long ends....



Turn your bow over and you will see you now have your korker bow. But you are not done yet.....



Some people stop at the previous step, but here at Sweet Baby Bowtique we always like to perfect everything, so now you need to trim away all of the uneven ribbon ends. Slowly turning your bow to make sure you get all of those uneven ends to make a very round korker bow!



Your finished product should be a very symetric, round korker bow!



Next you will need to attach a clip to your korker hair bow. We are attaching a french clip for this demonstration. You will need to open your clip and remove the spring.



So go ahead and grab your korker bow, french clip and pre-heated hot glue gun. You need to apply a thin stip of hot glue to the top of your clip. Quickly place the hot glue side even and straightly down onto the center of the underside of the korker bow. Press firmly across the entire clip for about 30 seconds or so.



It will now look like this...



Take more of your 1/8" grosgrain ribbon and wrap it around the center of the bow, bring it around the back of the bow where the clip is, as shown below.



Tie off this ribbon around the clip and tightly as you can.  
Double knot and trim the excess ribbon away.



Re-attach your spring and close the clip....



Turn your bow back over and seal your ends. Our preferred choice to seal korker ends IS fray check. After fray checking allow to dry...



And there you have it! A simply perfect korker bow!



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