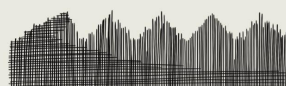


DIY SEWING KIT

Make your own
PRE-TIED BOW TIE

HAND OR MACHINE SEWING



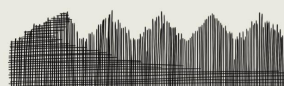
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MATERIALS

You'll need:



1. Paper pattern printed on A4 paper
2. A needle and thread or a sewing machine
3. Pins
4. 17mm bow tie closure components (widely available online, for example at this link: <https://www.sewessential.co.uk/bow-tie-buckle-set-silver-strap-width-17mm>)
5. Instructions
6. Tweed fabric (you can fuse this with interfacing for extra strength)
7. Satin fabric
8. Paper scissors
9. Fabric scissors
10. An iron and ironing board



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Bow tie - Main

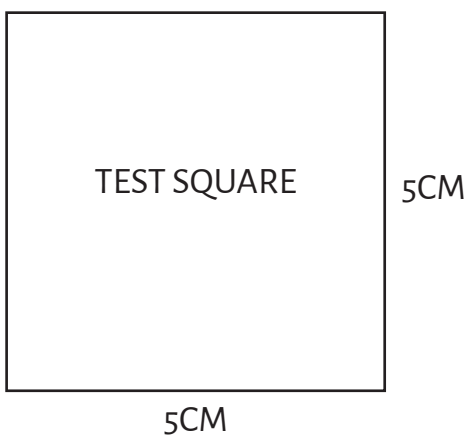
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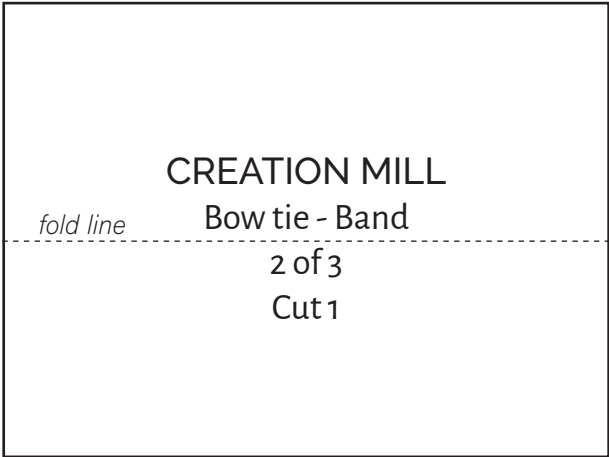
Cut 1

fold line

Print these pattern pages onto A4 paper,
selecting the 'original size' or 'actual size'
option.

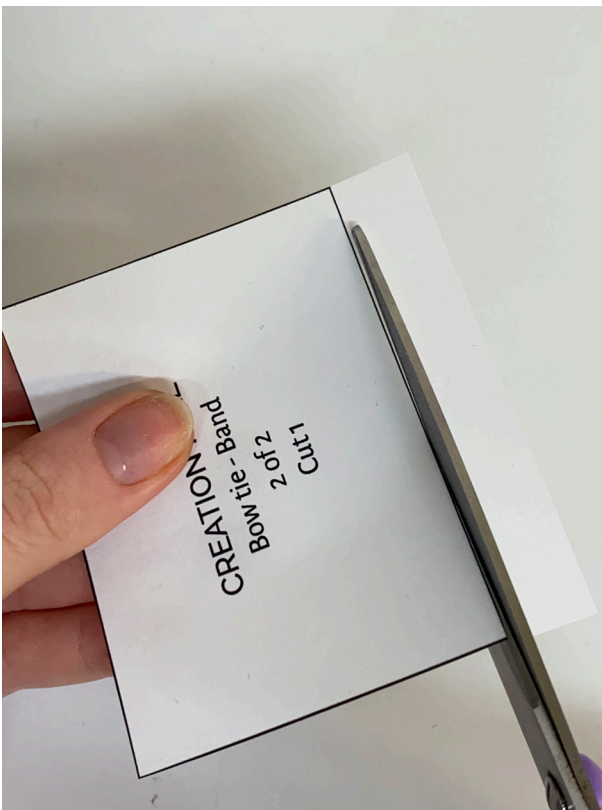
Measure the test square to
make sure the size is right.





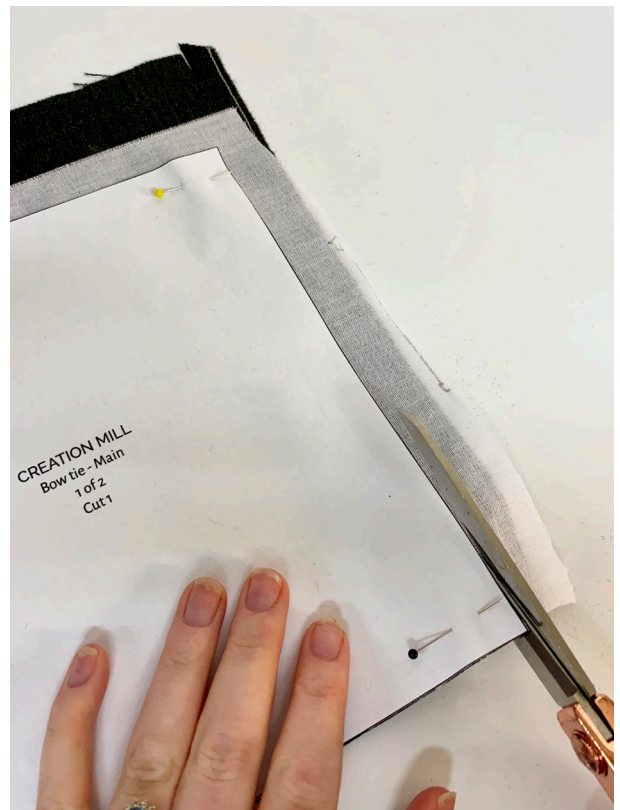
INSTRUCTIONS

You can either hand or machine sew this project. If you're hand sewing make sure to secure the start and end of each line of stitching with a knot or anchor stitch. If you're using a machine, secure with a backtack.



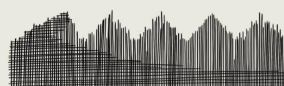
STEP 1

Carefully cut out your pattern pieces using paper scissors.



STEP 2

Pin the main and band pieces to your tweed fabric and cut around them.



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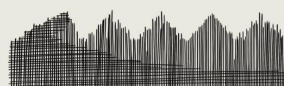
STEP 3

For the strap, fold your satin fabric in half and pin the paper pattern up against the fold. Cut around the pattern and you should be left with one long strip of fabric.



STEP 4

Take the main tweed piece and fold it in half right sides together. Sew along the longest loose edge with a 1cm seam allowance, leaving a 6cm length open in the middle.



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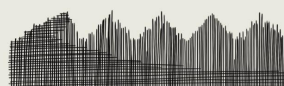
STEP 5

Press this seam open.



STEP 6

With the seam pressed to the centre of your piece like this, sew each short side closed with a 1cm seam allowance.



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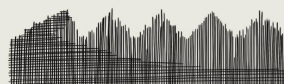
STEP 7

Carefully trim all four corners of your piece.



STEP 8

Turn through to the right side and press.



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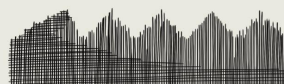
STEP 9

Thread up a needle and make a large knot at one end. Sew a line half way along the piece using very large stitches.

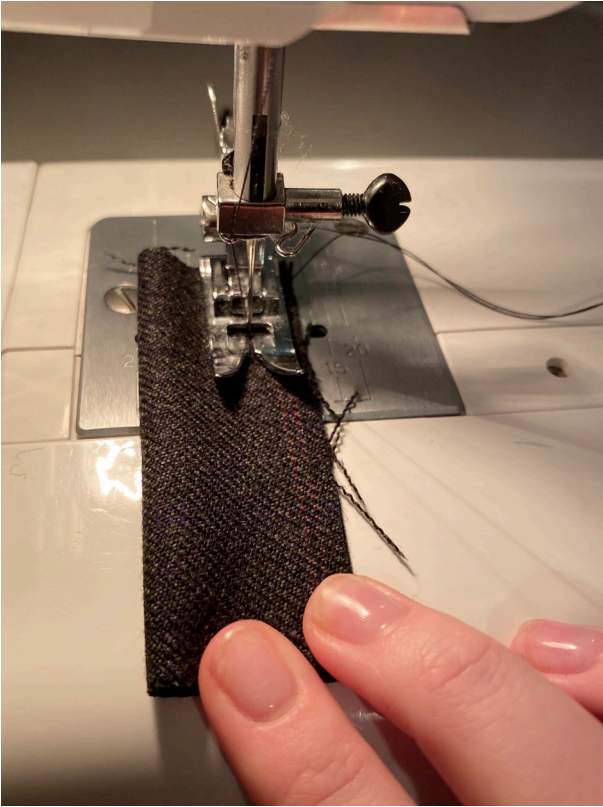


STEP 10

At the end, pull the thread tight and secure the end to gather the centre of the bow tie evenly.



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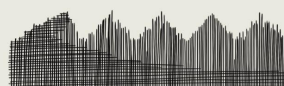
STEP 11

Take the band piece and fold it in half right sides together. Sew along the longest loose edge with a 1cm seam allowance.



STEP 12

Turn this piece through to the right side and press it flat.



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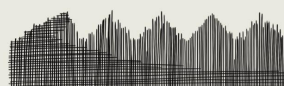
STEP 13

Sew the two short ends of this piece together with a 1cm seam allowance to create a closed band. Turn this through to the right side.



STEP 14

Pull the band over your main piece. Make sure that the seam of the band sits on the same side as the gap left in the main piece - this will be the back. Your bow tie should now look like this.



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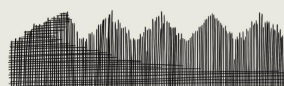
STEP 15

Take your satin strip and fold it in half lengthways, right sides together. Sew along the longest loose edge with a 1cm seam allowance.



STEP 16

Turn through to the right side and press flat.



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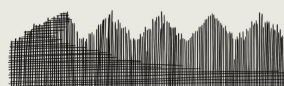
STEP 17

Thread one end of your strap under the band at the back of the bow tie.



STEP 18

Loop the strap through the hooked piece of the closure and sew down the raw edge.



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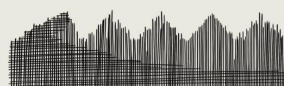
STEP 19

Pull the strap back so that its raw edge is hidden under the band. Hand stitch the strap and band together to secure.



STEP 20

Thread the other end of the strap through the slider like this.



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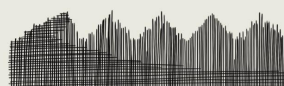
STEP 21

Thread the same end through this piece of the closure.



STEP 22

Lastly thread the end back through the slider like this. Fold the raw edge over and sew it down.



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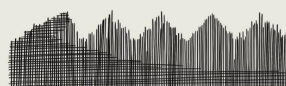
STEP 23

It should now look like this. You should be able to move the slider to adjust the length of the strap.



STEP 24

To fasten the bow tie, hook the metal pieces together.



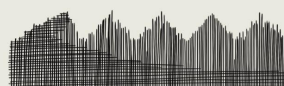
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You now have your very own pre-tied bow tie!

You can keep the paper pattern and use these instructions to make more.

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