

# Ballerina Rose Hair Clip

You will need:

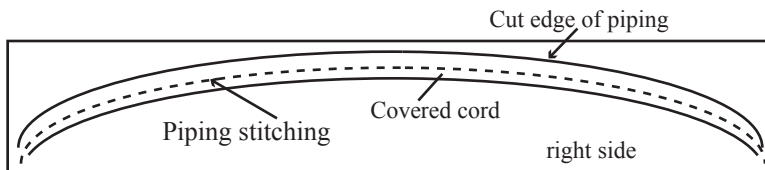
- ~ A single or double-prong "aligator:" hair clip
- 2 bias strips of fabric (for rose) measuring 1 1/4" wide x 25" long
- 1 contrasting bias strip of fabric (for Piping) measuring 1 1/4" x 25"
- 25" cord for piping\*
- Two 5" squares fabric and one 5" square fusible web
- 5" long x 1/4" wide grosgrain ribbon to match fabric (optional)
- Glue gun

\*We recommend using #18 gauge, white nylon cord. It is mason line and is found in the rope section of your local hardware store. It does not shrink.

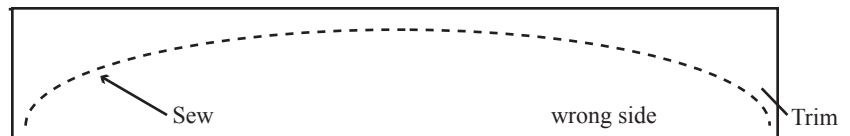
1. Prepare a 25" length of piping by covering cord with bias piping fabric. Use the zipper foot of your sewing machine for a nice, snug fit.

2. Trim the piping seam allowance to 1/4". For accuracy and speed, we recommend using the Fine Finish Ruler with the piping channel. See [www.buttercupquilts.com](http://www.buttercupquilts.com).

3. Sew the piping, in a gentle arc, to the edge of one of the bias strips as shown. Follow the piping stitching.

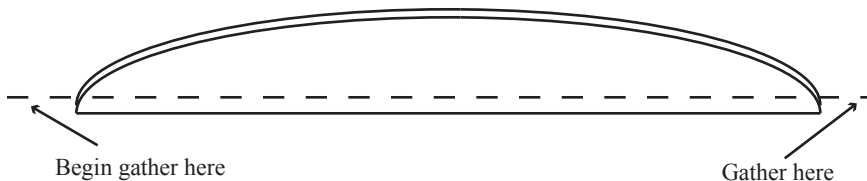


4. Sew the second bias strip to the piped strip, right sides together. For accuracy, follow the piping stitching on the reverse side of the piped bias strip. Trim the seam allowance to 1/8".



5. Turn the piped, bias unit right side out and press.

6. For gathering and to secure both layers, sew a long, machine basting stitch a scant 1/4" from the cut edge of the unit.



7. Begin gathering the rose by pulling one of the basting threads. To avoid breaking the thread, pull the same thread, first from one end then the other.

8. After the gathering is completed to satisfaction, begin spiraling the unit into a rose shape, tucking in the ends.

9. Fuse together two 5" squares of fabric, wrong sides together. Cut two 1 3/4" circles from fused fabric and glue together with the top prong of the clip between the two fused circles. Option: Cover the "pinch" end of the clip with grosgrain ribbon.

10. Glue the rose to the circle base on the top prong of the clip. A little glue down in the layers of the rose may give added strength and hold the circular form of Ballerina Rose.