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Fall Bow Wreath

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What you'll need

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- 18" grapevine wreath
- 1-1/2" fall ribbons of choice (3 rolls of different ribbons used in this project: orange, light floral w/orange, and dark green w/ acorns)
- (4) fall leaf picks of choice
- (3) floral picks of choice
- (2) small apple picks of choice

Bowdabra®:

- bowmaker—#BOW1003
- bow wire

wire cutters

scissors

hot glue and glue gun

Steps

- 1** Cut flower picks apart, leaving a stem on each flower.
- 2** Remove some of the paper wrapping on apple pick stems. Use



wire cutters to shorten stems.

Divide picks into 3 sections.

3 Cut leaves off fall leaf picks.

4 Pre-cut bow wire into 24"

sections (or longer if desired—see Tips at end).

5 Using bowmaker, make six 4-loop bows of the lightest color ribbon. Instead of making a center loop, place a flower in center of bow.

6 Make five 4-loop bows of the darkest color ribbon. Instead of a center loop, place a section of apple pick in the center of the bow.

7 Make four 4-loop bows of plain colored ribbon, placing a flower in bow center.

8 *Make a bow with 2 loops of the darkest colored ribbon, then 4 loops of the plain colored ribbon. Place remainder of apple pick in center.

Tie bow onto grapevine wreath.

***OPTIONAL TAILS:** Measure out extra ribbon for tails and place in Bowdabra before making the loops.

9 Tie remaining bows onto wreath, alternating the colors. Fill any empty spaces on wreath with leaves.

Tips:

- Pull wire ends to front and sides of wreath and wind around a pencil for extra embellishment. In this wreath some of the wire was pre-cut at 30" to provide extra wire for curling.
- For a fuller looking wreath with less bows: use 2"- 2-1/2" ribbon and make ten 6" bows (with 5 loops on each side). Use floral picks of your choice to fill in gaps.
- Choose contrasting ribbons and coordinate berries, leaves, flowers, etc., with them. Bow wreaths can be made for any season or occasion!