



**TUTORIAL – tuxedo ruffles for embellishing shirts etc:**



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What to do with all those wonderful scraps?? Here's an idea.....embellish a shirt!



Take 3 strips, trim off ends and roll hem them with your serger on both sides. Then set your sewing machine to the highest number tension and the longest stitch.



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Start sewing at about 0.5 inch in to the strip as shown. Sew right down the center. Hold the end that comes out of the machine so it won't curl up around your sewing needle.



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Repeat with remaining 2 strips. Then press them lightly and carefully so they won't curl up much anymore. Also tuck under the ends.



These are now your finished ruffle strips:



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If you are using a t-shirt which is very soft it will create a bit of a problem to pinned the ruffles with an even distance and appearance. Take your time and adjust the length of each ruffle by gently pulling on the top and bottom thread. Pin them in place as straight as possible.

If you are using a non stretch fabric shirt/top you will better success in getting them pinned neatly. Straight stitch all ruffles one by one with backstitching beginning and end. (it's best to practice on a piece of knit material to make sure you are getting familiar with sewing the ruffles onto knit)





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Take a sewing needle and thread it with a double thread and double knot the ends. Sew starting at the outer ruffle as shown:



Sew through all layers and all ruffles. Always going up and down through the ruffle and shirt until you reached the other side. Go back and fourth a few times and gently pull so it creates a slight scrunched effect.



Once you are done it should look like this now:



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Turn your shirt around and backstitch from underneath a few times then double knot the thread and cut.





Here is a better view of how it looks from the inside:



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DONE!

Thank you so much for using this pattern!

For suggestions or comments to make this pattern better please email me

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