

## How to Make Applique Roses from Ribbon.

Find some ribbon with a ruffled edge. I found this 2-side-ruffled, polyester ribbon, at Hobby Lobby. It is 3 yards in length, by 1 ½" wide. The manufacturer is "Ribbon Boutique", Oklahoma City, Ok. 73179. However, you can use any ribbon with a ruffled edge.

Begin by cutting out 1 circle of felt, for each flower. For large flowers, make them 3" in diameter. For smaller flowers, make them 2" in diameter. The color of the felt should match the background of your quilt top.



Cut the ribbon ¾" wide. (This is wider than half of the width of the ribbon.) Tuck the end of the ribbon to the back, as shown. Use a large basting stitch to gather the ribbon, so that it ruffles. Gather the ribbon as you go along, then make a knot at the ends. Next, sew the ribbon along the outer edge of the felt circle. I found that it was easiest to do this by hand. Overlap the ribbon as you continue to the center of the circle, so that your stitches are covered.



**Continue sewing until you have 4 to 5 layers of ruffles. The large flowers should take at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  of one roll. The smaller flowers should take a little over  $\frac{1}{2}$  roll. You can use the scrap ends of ribbon from the large flowers for the smallest flower. Tuck the end of the ribbon to the back side, just as you did at the beginning.**



**Place a button in the center of each flower.**



**Here is the view front and back, of the finished flower. Now you can easily hand stitch the felt circle to your quilt top, and you can remove it just as easily for washing the quilt.**







For a complete pattern of this quilt, including the, "Blocks on Point" background (with pinwheels), ruffled leaves, and flowerpots, please my "FLOWERPOTS" quilt pattern on [Craftsy.com](https://www.craftsy.com). My store name is: "DesignAsYouGo", Sharon Picciolo