

# Instructions for Making Tissue Pom-Poms

You'll need tissue paper and 24-gauge white cloth-covered floral wire.

1. Determine the desired size of the finished pom-pom. Choose the size of tissue paper based on the size of the finished product. The pom-pom will be a bit smaller than the width of the sheet of tissue paper.
2. Cut the tissue paper down to size if it is too big for your desired look.
3. Lay eight to 10 sheets of tissue paper in a stack on a flat surface.



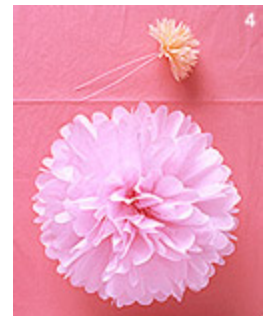
4. Starting from the bottom, fold the stack of tissue paper lengthwise, back and forth, accordion style.

5. Cut each end of the folded stack into either a rounded edge or a point.

6. Tightly wrap 6 inches of pipe cleaner or floral wire around the center of accordion folded paper. This will create two distinct fan shapes on either side of the pipe cleaner.

7. Leave a tail on the pipe cleaner/floral wire if you ultimately want to attach your pom-pom to something or have the appearance of a "stem." If you don't want the tail to show, wrap the pipe cleaner completely around the paper, or cut the tail off.

8. Gently separate each layer of tissue on either side of the pipe cleaner/floral wire, starting from the top of each sheet.



## Napkin Rings

With just a few changes, these follow the same steps as the hanging pom-poms.

1. Stack four sheets of tissue. Cut a 10-by-5-inch rectangle, going through all layers. Make 3/8-inch-wide accordion folds.
2. Fold an 18-inch piece of floral wire in half, slip over center of tissue, and twist to secure. Trim ends of tissue.
3. Separate layers, pulling away from center one at a time.
4. Bend wire into a loop to fit around napkin, and twist end around loop to secure.