HOW TO USE BOW-EASY
(a step-by-step tutorial by Myléne Hillam)

The Bow-Easy tool is a wonderful addition to your craft kit. It comes with directions but they are a little difficult to follow. Follow the step-by-step photos below along with the written instructions and you'll be making perfect bows every time in no time at all. It is a little bit fiddly the first few times whilst you learn how to juggle the ribbon and Bow-Easy tool in one hand, so I suggest beginning with a wider ribbon until you get the hang of it. Your first few bows might not be perfect, but with practice they will be!

Fig. 1	Fig. 2	Fig. 3

Hold the Bow-Easy by the bottom left hand leg with your left thumb on top and fingers balancing it underneath.
Take a length of ribbon and hold it in place across the left leg (leave a little bit of a tail so that you can trim to length later on) and draping down to the bottom right hand corner.
Use your right hand to wrap the ribbon around the right hand leg so that it sits behind the Bow-Easy. Hold in place with you left index finger as in figure 3.

Fig. 4	Fig. 5	Fig. 6

Wrap the ribbon around the left leg back to front.
Pass it over the first wrap and down between the legs. Don't pull tight - allow a little slackness in the loop you've just created.
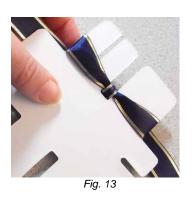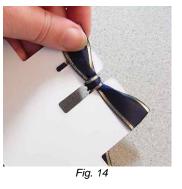
Fig. 7

Fig. 8

Fig. 9

Pull the ribbon up and over to the front.
Pass the ribbon back through the loop you created in figure 5 and pull it through.
Pull the ribbon tail up as in figure 9.

Fig. 10

Fig. 11

Fig.12

Figures 10, 11 and 12 show the knot being tightened.

Fig. 13

Fig. 14

Fig. 15

Flip the Bow-Easy over. This is the front of the bow.
Gently slide the bow off the Bow-Easy tool.
Trim the tails of your bow.

And there you have it…… the perfect bow.