

HOW TO MAKE VE DAY BUNTING

Bunting is easy to make and can be a fun activity for the whole family. Here's a step by step guide to get you started.

WHAT YOU NEED

- Red white and blue fabric, such as scraps, old pieces of clothing or other recycled fabric
- Ribbon or bias binding tape at least 14mm wide
- Thin cardboard
- Sewing machine or just a needle and thread

1. Draw a triangle on a piece of cardboard and cut it out. The size and shape is entirely up to you, you may want to go for a classic shape or perhaps narrow or short triangles.

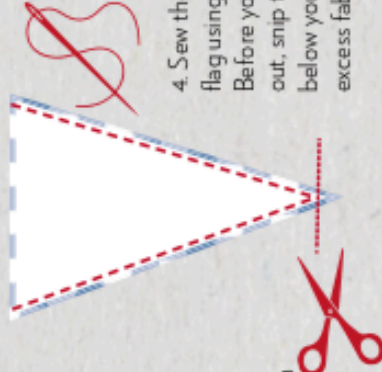
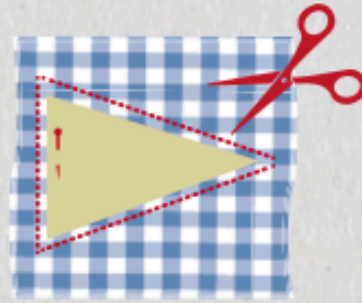
Why not embellish your flags with felt shapes, buttons or ribbon? It is easier to do now before you go onto step 3.

3. Once all have been cut-out place two pieces of fabric with the right sides together on top of each other. Front and back don't have to match, get creative!

5. Turn your flags the right way out and press all your flags for a nice crisp finish and arrange them in your desired order.

6. Evenly space the flags along the ribbon. Fold the ribbon over to enclose the raw edge of the flag and pin in place.

7. Sew the flags in place along the ribbon with a straight stitch. Leave at least 40cm of ribbon free from flags at each end for hanging your bunting proudly on display.



4. Sew the two long sides of each flag using a 1cm seam allowance. Before you turn them the right way out, snip the bottom point away below your stitches to remove excess fabric from the bottom.

NO-SEW BUNTING

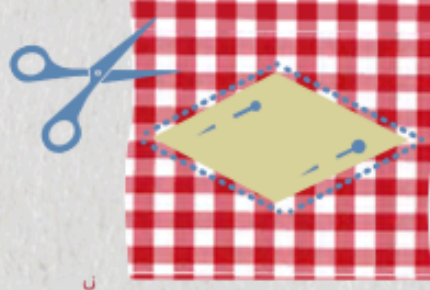
Don't have access to a sewing machine? Or would you like to get small children involved?

WHAT YOU NEED

- Red white and blue scrap fabric.
- Ribbon
- Fabric glue or PVA glue
- Paper and scissors

1. Draw a diamond shape on a piece of paper, around 27cm high and 20cm wide gives a good size flag, then cut it out.

2. Pin the paper shape to your fabric and cut it out.



3. Take your ribbon and place it vertically in the middle of the diamond shape, then add some glue along the three sides of one half of the diamond. Fold the diamond in half over the ribbon to make a triangle.

4. Repeat this process until the bunting is the desired length. Keep an equal distance between each flag when attaching it to your ribbon and leave enough ribbon free at the end to make sure you can hang your creation.

