



Instruction Sheet

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Today's Flowers, Foliage and Equipment:

Avalanche rose, Hedera leaf (ivy), Chrysanthemum, Veronica, Steel Grass, Floral Scissors, Floral Wire, Floral Tape, Bullion Wire, Pearl Pin.

Buttonhole/Corsage

Definition:

A collection of wired flowers/foilage which is pinned to a person's garment as decoration at an event.

Stages of Construction:

- ❖ Cut head of focal flower at the base and wire and tape.
- ❖ Cut leaves and accent flowers, wire and tape.
- ❖ Hold the wired elements together and tape altogether to create one stem.
- ❖ Trim and tidy, apply final touches such as pearl pin and bouillon wire.

Floristry Skills Learnt:

Wiring, taping, basic design elements.

Top tips!

- Always ensure your taping covers the stems of flowers as this will keep the moisture in.
- Ensure you choose the method of wiring and gauge of wire according to the weight of the flower.
- Arrange your wired components to give a good flow/shape to your buttonhole. Try to use the materials 'cleverly' hiding any construction or untidy taping.