

### Southern Weddings Ultimate Escort Card Challenge

### DIY PROJECT #1 Fabric Buttons

#### What you will need:

Fabric (we used 100% cotton)
Button Kit (1 1/8" – size 45)
Scissors
Pencil

1. Turn your fabric wrong side up and trace a circle of fabric with a pencil, using the template provided in the kit. (It's a clear plastic circle, so don't lose it!)



2. Cut out fabric circle



3. Place circle wrong side up onto top of button making base (it's the rubber round piece)



4. Next place the silver metal disc – it's the concave piece that will end up being covered with the material to make the button



5. Push down the silver disc into the rubber bottom and fold in the extra fabric towards the center





6. Place button back on top – keeping the fabric tucked down – and use the blue cap to place over top of the button backing and press down firmly until you hear a click.





7. Now, pop your button out of the rubber base – voila...button!





8. We used them to make our button escort cards (see DIY project #2), and we also used them on our fabric pennant banner too! The possibilities are endless!





## DIY PROJECT #2 Button Adorned Escort Cards

### What you will need:

Fabric Button (see DIY project #1)
3D Glue Dots
Escort cards

1. Create your escort card out of cardstock in the color of your choice



2. We rounded the corners for a fun look, but you can make these however you like.



3. Place a 3D glue dot (we used ZOTS), on the back of the button, to the right side of the button loop in the back





4. Place your escort wrong side up on the glue dot and press down to secure





5. Flip it over and you have an adorable button adorned escort card that can be tied onto anything at your wedding!



6. We used raffia to tie these escort cards onto pie pops, but you could tie them with jute twine onto pinwheels, shutters, flowers or even jars of jam!



# DIY PROJECT #3 Paper Flowers

### What you will need:

Old book pages/Cardstock/Scrap booking Paper
Scissors
Glue Stick
Pencil/Bamboo Stick/Chopstick
Pipe Cleaners

1. Tear a page out of an old book – any book will work – you can even use newspaper, cardstock or scrap booking paper\_



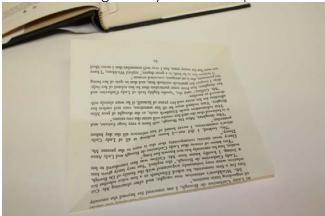
2. Fold the bottom of the page over to the left side to make a triangle at the bottom



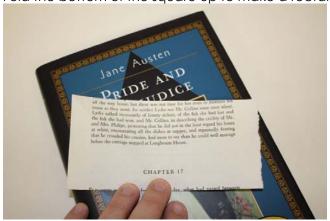
3. Cut off the excess paper at the top



4. Unfold the triangle and you have a square



5. Fold the bottom of the square up to make a rectangle



6. Fold the rectangle in half to make a small square



7. You should have the crease running diagonally through the square



8. Fold on that diagonal crease to make a small triangle



9. Cut a petal shape out of the triangle – an arc one direction and then flip over and cut another arc





10. When you open the piece up, you should have a flower shape with 8 petals



11. Cut one of the petals out of the flower



12. Make three more flower shapes and on each one cut out one more petal than the last – on flower 2, cut out 2 petals – on flower 3, cut out 3 petals (and keep) – on petal 4, cut out 4 petals







13. On the first flower (one petal missing), using a glue stick, put glue on the petal to the left of the missing petal and pull the petal to the right of the missing petal over on top and press to glue. This will make a concave flower shape.



14. Continue this same process with the other three flowers

15. You will end up with four concave flower shapes



16. Take a bamboo stick, pencil or chopstick and roll the ends of the petals over the stick to round the petals – this makes is look like a real flower!



17. Repeat with all of the flower pieces



18. Turn the flower pieces over and cut off the very bottom tip of the point to make a

very small hole



19. Take a pipe cleaner – we used white, but green would work well too – and fold the end over twice (1/2" each time) to make a bump on the end



20. Starting with the smallest section first, slide the pipe cleaner into the inside of the flower piece until it stops at the bump on the end



21. You can put a little bit of glue on the bottom of each layer before sliding on the next larger layer

22. Continue until all layers are onto the pipe cleaner



- 23. Since the holes at the bottom of the flowers are so small, the flower pieces should not slide off, but you can secure with floral tape, if needed
- 24. If you want, you can take the 3 petals that you cut out and saved in step 12 to make the top/smallest layer of the flower. You can even use the single cut out petals to roll and put in the center of the flower, just to make it look more realistic.



25. These really come together quickly and you can make a bouquet in no time! You can also paint them with watercolors or food coloring!

