

How to Make a Classical Ballet Bun

Supplies:

Hair Brush
Hair Spray (or spray gel)
Thick Hair Elastics (recommend the ones with elastic running through them)
Hair Pins
Bobby Pins
Hair Net (should be darker than hair rather than lighter)

Steps:

1. Pull all Hair tightly back into the middle of the head. Using your hairbrush, brush until all hair is smooth. Wrap elastic tightly around hair, if you are unable to make a very tight ponytail try using a second elastic. A tight ponytail is the key to a successful bun.
2. Once you have a clean tight ponytail begin twisting the hair and twist it around the elastic.
3. Once you have formed the shape of a bun allow hair to loosen slightly (relax) and create a “flatter” bun.
4. Using a hair pin grab a piece of hair and twist pin into the bun. Continue to do this around the entire bun (5-6 pins). Do not worry if the bun is extremely secure or if it’s shape is perfect we are going to remove these pins and re-shape the bun in a couple more steps.
5. Take your hair net and stretch over bun and twist around (cover bun 2-3 times). Hair nets are very delicate, be careful.
6. Once hair net is in place, place hand over bun and remove the hair pins.
7. Re-shape the bun to create a flatter (more even) shape.
8. Take hair pin perpendicular to bun and grab a piece of hair with the pin, pull gently away from the bun and then loop back in (parallel) to the bun, trying to get the pin into the elastic. You should only need 6-8 pins.
9. Take hair spray and spray around the bun and hairline wispies (fly aways).
10. If required use bobbypins to hold wispies back. Put the curved part of the bobby pin down towards the head so that the part showing is flat. Take a second bobby and cross it over the first ‘X’ in the same way.
11. If you have wispies that hang down the neck. Gather all hairs and twist together up towards the bun. Take a bobbypin and pin the hair up into the bun.
12. Spray entire head one final time.