

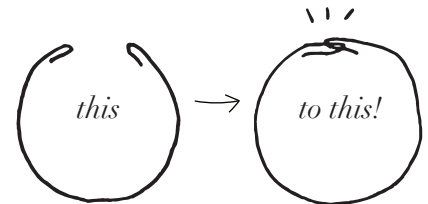
## how to Make a Flower Crown

Artist Vicki Sawyer is famous for her whimsical animal friends in hats, and her gorgeous paintings serve as the inspiration for this head-turning DIY. We love the instant joy and air of festivity a flower crown adds to any occasion.

### MATERIALS NEEDED

*thick wire (12 gauge) or grapevine, wire cutters, thin craft or floral wire, flowers and filler greenery (real or faux), floral scissors or snips (if using real flowers), florist tape*

**MEASURE** the thick wire or grapevine around your head loosely, cutting it with a few extra inches of length. Fold both ends of the wire into loops, then slide one through the other to secure your crown shape.



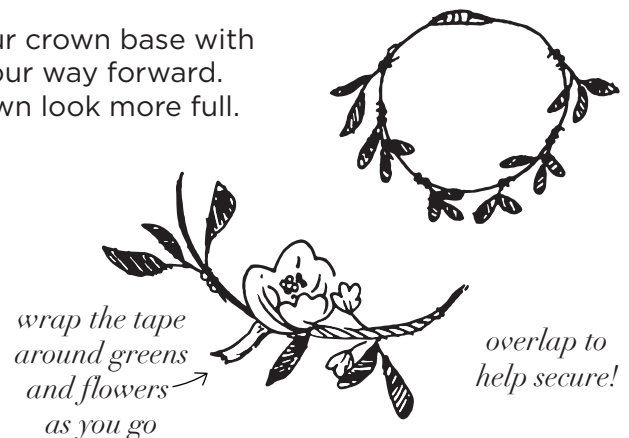
**TEST** the crown on your head and adjust for a desired fit. Wrap the joint tightly with floral tape to secure the ends.

**TRIM** your flowers and greenery so all stems are the same length, about 2" - 3".

**START** by securing some filler greenery around your crown base with the craft wire, beginning in the back and working your way forward. Facing your greenery to the front will help your crown look more full.

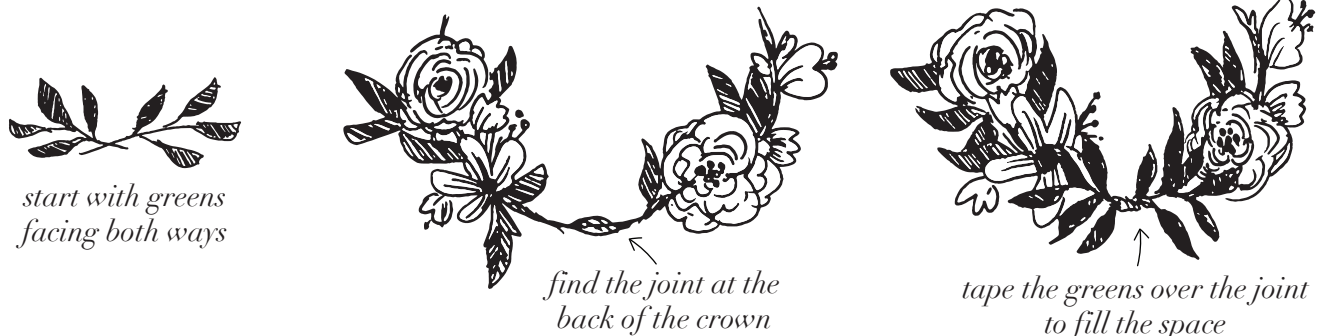
**ADD** flowers to your base, once again starting at the back and working forward. Position a bloom as you'd like, then wrap floral tape on an angle, overlapping the tape slightly to secure in place.

**KEEP** adding flowers to your base and securing with wrapped floral tape, overlapping blooms for a seamless look.



**TIP:** the floral tape will easily stick to itself and become stickier as it stretches.

**TURN** two pieces of greenery in opposite directions, and attach over the joint at the back of your crown.



**WEAR** your creation like one of Vicki's fabulous birds!