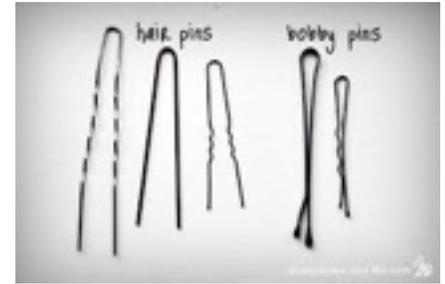


Hair- Ballet Bun

What you'll Need:

1. Elastic hair tie
2. Bobby Pins and Hair pins
3. Hair spray



Step 1: Start by spritzing the hair with a little water. If your hair is freshly washed and silky smooth, I'd suggest using a texturizing spray(hairspray) to give it some hold and make it easier to style.

Step 2: Use a comb or brush to pull hair into a ponytail. The perfect height is at the crown of the head. You should be able to see the top of the bun when you're facing the mirror straight on. This creates a swoop diagonally upwards giving the illusion of a longer neck. Secure with an elastic.

Step 3: Twist the ponytail (either way is fine) into a rope and begin pinning around the elastic until you reach the end of your ponytail. To get a true ballerina bun, [u-shaped pins](#) are the way to go—they hold more hair and are easier to use than traditional bobby pins. Tuck loose ends under the bun and use a pin to secure.

If you have very thick hair, I'd suggest the two-piece bun method so you don't end up with the dreaded door knob. To do this, divide the ponytail into two sections. Start the twisting and pinning process with one section and leave the other section hanging down. Once you twist and pin half way around the elastic, start the process with the other section, continuing the twisting and pinning pattern until loose ends have been tucked under and secured. Very cinnamon bun-like and looks pretty with highlighted hair.

Step 4: Finish off with a light- to medium-hold hairspray (depending on if you like "whispies"). But seeing that my buns don't have to last through quite as much these days, I tend to go without the hold at all.

