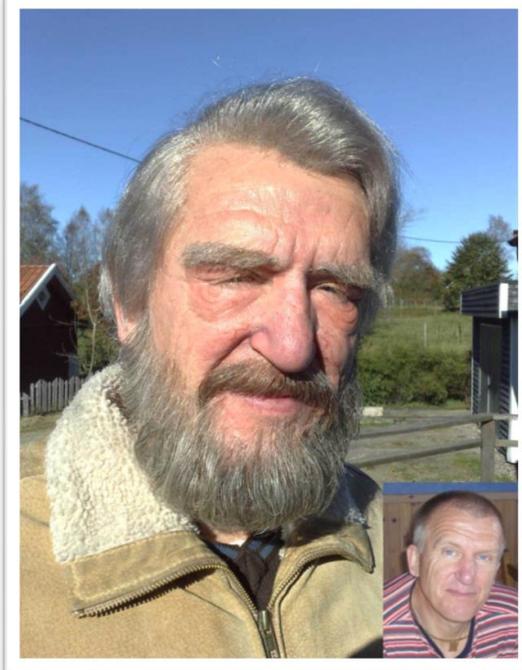




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Wig making tools Start kit



Example of moustache made with the kit.

Congratulations on deciding to get started with wig making!

This is a proud tradition with several hundred years behind it. The technique has been more or less the same ever since the beginning.

A small needle with a tiny hook creates a loop and pulls the long ends through it. This technique is called "ventilating". The needle used is called a ventilation needle.

The most common thing you tie hair on is lace. There are many sorts of lace for example cotton, nylon or silk. For facial pieces like a moustache we always use a nylon lace. This is often referred to as Swiss lace and sometimes French lace. I prefer to simply call it what it is, nylon lace.

The needle holders to begin with are very long and I always cut them off to fit into the palm of my hand better. Some people like to keep them long and hold them like a pencil. You decide what suits your needs.

Watch the video on the web site to see how I am holding my needle. I am not saying one method is better than the other! You have to find your own style.

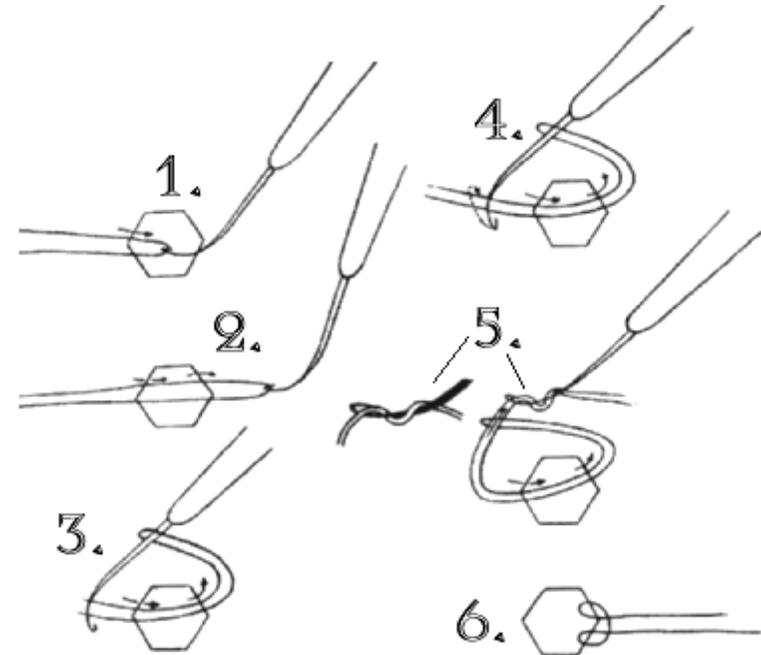
I would recommend starting with a moustache. This is small enough so it feels possible yet challenging enough to make you feel proud when you succeed!

On the web site you can find a chart you can print out and use as a template.

http://www.makeup-fx.com/webshop/images/PDF/Moustasche_chart.pdf
Or cut out the one below here:



Put the template on a flat board or a wig block and tape it down. Now look at the lace. If you gently pull it you will see that it is elastic in one direction but not the other. You want the elastic direction across your top lip. If you put it the wrong way it will be even more difficult to move your lip once it's on. Now you just start tying hair into the lace! Study this illustration on how the knot is made and also watch the video online to get a better understanding of how it's done.



Keep the directions simple to begin with. Straight down works almost everything.

It will take quite some time until you get the hang of it!! Be patient! Once you learn the knot it will be easy! The first moustaches you make will not be perfect and be too thick or too thin. Practice makes perfect. Keep doing it! Don't give up! You will hate me for selling you these tools but once you get into it you will hopefully forgive me!

Have fun!