

## Pink Ribbon Earrings



These simple "pink ribbon" earrings can be worn as a show of support for Breast Cancer Awareness. This project includes the display card, as well. The finished size of each earring is  $1\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " (3cm x 5cm).

## What you need

- Shrink Plastic Sheet Pink or Transparent Shrink Plastic + Pink Marker
- Permanent Vinyl, Pink
- Heavy Cardstock, White
- Standard Grip Mat 12" x 12"
- Light Grip Mat 12" x 12"
- Basic Blade
- Brayer
- Weeding Tool
- Scraping Tool
- Transfer Tape
- Oven and Baking Tray

- Parchment Paper
- Something heavy and heat resistant to press the Shrink Plastic shapes while they cool, like a heavy book
- Earring Hooks and Jump Rings

## **Directions**

Most shrink material will shrink somewhere between 1/3 to ½ the original size depending on brand. Read the information provided on the package and adjust the size of the ribbon shapes, if necessary.

If you are using transparent shrink plastic, use a pink marker to color your material.

1. Open the project in Canvas. Go to the Output Menu and press Send to Machine. Place the shrink plastic on your Standard Grip Mat. Use a Brayer to help adhere the material to the cutting mat. Follow the steps to cut the material on your crafting machine.



Note: When using more than one material, check all settings and customize inputs for your mat size, material type, material size, and arrangement of pieces before selecting next to begin cutting each layer.

- 2. Place the cardstock on the Light Grip Mat and follow the steps to cut the display card on your crafting machine.
- 3. Place the vinyl on your Standard Grip Mat and follow the steps to cut the vinyl on your crafting machine.
- 4. Preheat your oven. Line a baking tray with parchment paper. Place the shrink plastic shapes on the tray. Leave space between the shapes so that they don't stick together. Preheat your oven and follow the manufacturer's instructions to shrink the plastic.
- 5. Remove the tray from the oven. Place another piece of parchment paper on top of the plastic shapes then place



something heavy, like a book, on top to press the shapes flat. Let the plastic shapes cool for a few minutes before handling them.

6. To assemble the earrings, attach the earring hook rings to the hole/loop in the cut plastic designs. Attach the earring fish hooks to the rings.



- 7. To apply the vinyl text to the display card, use a Weeding Tool to weed the vinyl and remove the negative bits. Cut a piece of Transfer Tape slightly larger than the design. Peel off the backing paper from the Transfer Tape and place it over the vinyl design. Use the Scraper Tool to burnish it onto the vinyl. Peel the vinyl liner away from the Tape and the design, making sure all vinyl is transferred to the Transfer Tape.
- 8. Position the vinyl design on the display card. Use a Scraper Tool to apply the vinyl to the card. Gently peel off the Transfer Tape.



9. Hang the earrings on the display card.

