

QUICK TIP: SPIKING

Most of the “Extreme” styles in wigcraft are created using the mundane combination of hairspray and a blowdryer. Hardened hairspray is our #1 gravity fighter, opening up all sorts of styling possibilities. For example, the incredibly popular (and incredibly improbable...) Jumbo Spike.



Step 1: Start with the section you'd like to spike well combed out and trimmed to a little longer (er... taller?) than the desired length.



Step 2: For the best stability, the base of your spike should have 3 or 4 equal sides. (So part out an equilateral triangle or square.) Round based spikes are more likely to twist and collapse.



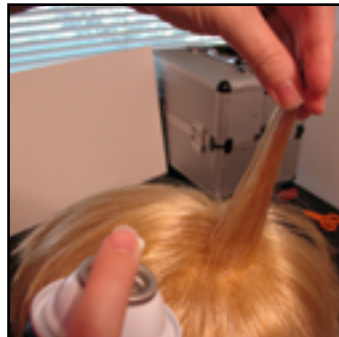
Step 3: Hold the spike upright in the position you want it. You will need to keep it taut the whole time. Be careful not to pull too hard, or the wefts/scalp at the base will be warped.



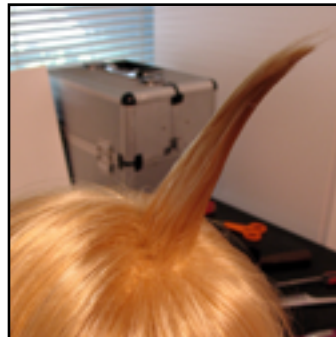
Step 4: Apply a thick coating of hairspray to the base of the spike. Smooth the hairspray into the fiber with the back of a comb. **Do NOT comb the hairspray in. This will weaken the spike.**



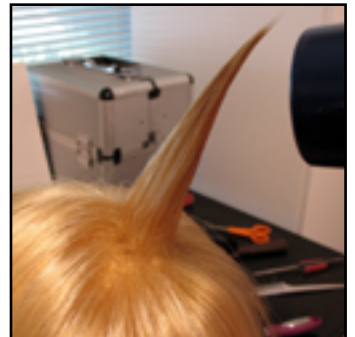
Step 5: Blow dry the hairspray on low until it is *completely* dry. (It should not be sticky to the touch at all.)



Step 6: Now spray the entire spike and smooth the hairspray in again. Once again, blow dry it completely to harden the lacquer.



Step 7: Repeat the previous step 4-6 times, depending on how large/tall your spike is. If it's hardened enough, it won't fall over when you release the top.



Step 8: Trim the top and seal it with hair glue or caulk. Hairspray/blow dry it one more time to seal in the glue.