

Instructions for Qualatex® Loop-2-Loop Arch

To keep assembly time to a minimum, gather the materials and read through the instructions before beginning.

Loop-2-Loop Arch

Helium: As needed for number and size of balloons.

Materials:

16" (41cm) Lime Green Latex Balloons 73145

5" (13cm) Yellow Latex Balloons 43609

5" Orange Latex Balloons 43570

260Q Yellow Latex Balloons 79700

260Q Orange Latex Balloons 79701

Monofilament (Fishing) Line

Weights

Instructions:

1. Cut the desired length of monofilament line and secure both ends to temporary anchors, such as doorknobs or chairs, at the same, comfortable working height. Make sure the line is taut, leaving a couple of extra feet on the ends to allow for any necessary adjustments.

2. Helium inflate a 16" balloon and size to 15" (38cm). Tie the neck directly onto the monofilament line.

3. Repeat step 2 for the remaining 16" balloons, consistently spacing the balloons along the line. **TIP:** For a professional look that's fast, use a spacer, such as a cut balloon straw, to evenly space the balloons as you go and eliminate the need to make adjustments later.

4. Make 4-balloon clusters (see "How To") of fully inflated 5" and wrap onto the necks of the 16" helium balloons.

5. Air inflate 260Qs, leaving about 1" (2.5cm) uninflated on each and ensuring all are consistently sized. Then, tie the neck of one 260Q onto the neck of one 16" balloon. Tie the opposite end to a second 16" balloon (skipping every other 16"). Repeat to add 260Q "scallops" to the 16" balloons.

6. Remove the line from the temporary anchors and secure to heavy weights.



HOW TO 4-Balloon Cluster



1. Inflate and size two balloons, then tie the necks together. Repeat to make a second pair, then twist the two pairs together to make a 4-balloon cluster.

2. Wrap the cluster onto the larger balloon neck by separating two of the balloons in the cluster, pushing the cluster onto the neck, then twisting together the two balloons that were separated.



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TIPS

- For outdoor Arches, use heavy nylon cord or Dacron® arch line, available from balloon distributors.
- Sell this Arch for festive themed events with 16" printed latex in bright, bold colors.
- Use the arch as a backdrop, a walk-through entrance, or use several to cover a dancefloor!
- Customize the Loop-2-Loop Arch with balloons in colors to match any event!
- For fast, professional results, use an electric inflator and balloon sizing templates or automatic sizing inflators, available from distributors.

The Loop-2-Loop Arch was featured in the Jan/Feb/Mar 2006 issue of "Balloon Images" magazine. To subscribe or purchase back issues, visit "Balloon Images" on Qualatex.com, or call 1-800-999-5644 or 316-685-2266 outside the USA.

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