

Pig

You will need:

1 x 660 (646 won't work)

1 x 350

3 x 260



A couple of notes before the instructions:

When I originally made this model the nose had a tendency to pop out if the pig was pressed. So I have had a re-think on its construction and solved the problem.

Suggested alternatives to balloons scraps for raisins.

I have tried various alternatives to knotted balloon scraps to make raisin twists. I have settled on the silver or coloured balls used to decorate cakes. They are easy to use once you get used to them and if the balloon does pop and a child decided to eat them they are edible and so not a hazard.

Alternatively I have also used dried peas which are a lot bigger so easier to grab hold of but easier to spot. Both are available in most supermarkets and cheap.





Insert four beads, peas or knotted balloons inside the 660 balloon. Tie a couple of knots in both ends of a scrap of balloon about 6" long.



Bend the scrap in the centre.



Push the scrap balloon into the 660 with the knotted ends in first. The middle of the scrap should be sticking out slightly.



Inflate the 660 leaving a 6" tip. Tie the nozzle so that the middle of the scrap is caught up in the knot.



Inflate the 360 to about 6" Push the lip knot into the 360 to make an apple twist. Remove the remaining 360 balloon.



Hold the 360 balloon against the lip of the 660 balloon. Push the 360 into the 660



Keep pushing the 360 into the 660 until it is almost completely inside. Squeeze the 660 over the 360 nose.



Inflate one of the 260 balloons to make two 3" loops. These will be the ears.



Hold the nose in place as you grab hold of one of the knotted ends of the scrap through the balloon.



Ease the knotted scrap you should have hold of through one of the looped ears. Hold the knot whilst turning the loop once and then push the knot through again.



Repeat for the other ear. Now you have secured the nose so it won't pop out again because it is attached to the ears.



Inflate a 260 balloon with a 6" tip. Make a raisin twist where you want to attach a leg and tie the 260 in here. Make a 1" pinch twist.



Make one 4" bubble, two 1" pinch twists, one 1" bubble, two 1" pinch twists, one 4" bubble and another 1" pinch twist. Attach to another raisin at the point you want the second leg.



At the tail end catch hold of another raisin and attach the third leg. Repeat the previous instruction panel.



This is how the legs will look.



All that remains is to draw the eyes on and it is finished.