

Instructions for Qualatex® Hula Girl Stand-up

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

Hula Girl Stand-up

Labor: About 15 Minutes

Materials:

2 16" (41cm) Pink Latex Balloons Q1626A
4 11" (28cm) Pink Latex Balloons Q1126
6 646Q Giant Airship Pink Latex Balloons Q64626
1 646Q Giant Airship Sapphire Blue Latex Balloon Q64651
6 5" (13cm) Pink Latex Balloons Q0526
4 5" White Latex Balloons Q0528
1 350Q Pink Latex Balloon Q35026
Hula Skirt & Lei
Sand Weight
Glue Dots® or Cool Glue

Instructions:

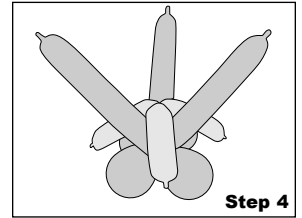
1. Make the sand weight with a Pink 16" latex balloon filled to softball size, then flattened on the bottom. To make the "feet," air inflate the four 11" Pink balloons to about 9" (23cm) and make a 4-balloon cluster. Tie the cluster to the sand weight. **NOTE: For best results, always use a sand weight rather than a water weight.**

2. Air inflate three Pink 646Qs to 33" (84cm) each, then tie the necks together to make a 3-balloon cluster. Tie the necks to the sand weight and feet. **NOTE: All balloons must be inflated to the same size for the Stand-up to remain upright.**

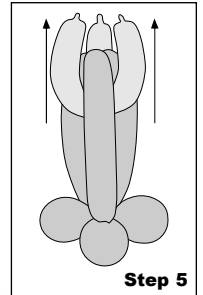
3. Air inflate three Pink 646Qs to 15" (38cm) each, then tie the necks together to make a 3-balloon cluster. **NOTE: All balloons must be inflated to the same size for the Stand-up to remain upright.**

4. Flatten the first Pink 646Q cluster, then lay the second Pink 646Q cluster on top of it, rotating the top cluster 60 degrees.

5. Bring the tips of the 33" 646Q cluster up and tie them together. Then, bring the tips of the 15" 646Q cluster up and tie them together. Push the bottom of the 15" cluster into the top of the 33" cluster, "locking" the joint.



Step 4



Step 5

6. Make a cluster of six 5" Pink balloons inflated to 3" (7.6cm) for the "waist." Push the 5" cluster between the joint of the 646Q clusters, twisting two of the 5" balloons around each other to secure. Wrap the skirt around the waist and tie.

7. To make the "arms," inflate two Pink 350Qs to about 33", then tie into a duplet. About 12" (30cm) from the knot of one 350Q, make a 2" (5cm) pinch twist for the "elbow." Add a "wrist" by adding two 2" pinch twists to the end of the 350Q. Repeat for the second arm. Tie the arms to the knot of the top Pink 646Q cluster.

8. To make the "hands," air inflate a 5" Pink balloon to 3" and tie around the wrist of one of the arms. Repeat to make a second hand.

9. Drape the lei onto the top Pink 646Q cluster. Air inflate the 16" Pink balloon. Qualatex latex balloons naturally inflate to a pleasing teardrop shape. To ensure this shape, place the neck roll slightly onto the inflation tip. Slowly fill the balloon, until it begins to taper at the bottom and form a "chin." **NOTE: Avoid holding the balloon neck high up, as it will result in a "basketball-shaped" head.** Tie the "head" to the knot on the upper 646Q cluster.



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10. For the “neck,” air inflate four 5” Pink balloons to 3” and make a 4-balloon cluster. Push the cluster between the head and the body, twisting two of the 5” balloons around each other to secure.

11. To make the “bikini top,” air inflate a Sapphire Blue 646Q to about 8” (20cm), and tie. Squeeze the balloon to force the bubble to the middle of the balloon, then at the bubble’s halfway point, twist to create two smaller bubbles. Pull the two uninflated ends of the 646Q around to the back of the “torso,” stretching the balloon into the desired shape, and tie.

12. Using Glue Dots, secure the arms in the desired position.

Pinch Twist

To make a pinch twist, create a 2” bubble. To make a bubble, pinch the balloon and twist it several times. Move 2” farther and make another twist, making sure to twist in the same direction both times. Loop your index finger under the bubble. Grasp the sides of the bubble with your thumb and index finger, and stretch it up until you can pinch the twists together. Remove your index finger, and twist the pinched bubble at least three times in one direction to secure it.

TIPS

- Cool glue Qualatex BalloonRibbon™ or uninflated 260Qs to the 16” balloon for “hair.”
- Use marker or balloons to add facial features like eyelashes and a mouth.
- Accent the Hula Girl with a 260Q Daisy. For Daisy instructions, download the “Balloon Flowers” Instruction Sheet from Qualatex.com.
- Suggest the Hula Girl as a unique way to present a surprise tropical getaway, deliver “warm wishes” for birthdays and anniversaries, and promote vacations at travel agencies.
- Decorate your display window with a complete tropical balloon paradise, including a Hula Girl, balloon Palm Trees, Fish, Flowers, and more. Instructions for all these balloon ideas are available on Qualatex.com.
- To keep Character Stand-ups looking fresh for a week or more, coat all balloons with Balloon Shine™ latex balloon treatment.



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