

# Easter Twisting Elements

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BMTV 531



## Equipment

- Hand Pump
- Adhesive Strips
- Scissors



## Products

- Sempertex **360** Fashion Orange
- Sempertex **260** Pastel Dusk Laurel Green
- Kalisan **5"** Pale Yellow Latex
- Kalisan **5"** Macaron Assorted Latex
- Kalisan **260** Retro Eucalyptus
- Kalisan **260** Macaron Pale Lilac
- Kalisan **260** Standard Caramel
- Kalisan **260** Macaron Pale Yellow
- Kalisan **260** Macaron Pale Pink

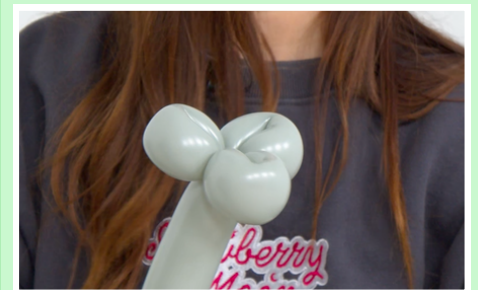
## Process - Flower Stems



1. Inflate your 260, leaving some space in the end.



2. Squeeze the 260 to soften the latex for twisting.



3. Make 3 loop twists to finish.



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## Process - Open Tulip



1. Inflate a 260 until it is almost full.



2. Tie each end together to make a loop.



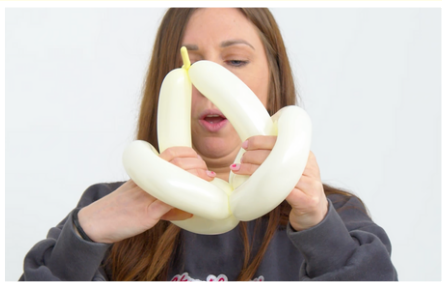
3. Squeezing your loop together, hold both sides. One-third of the way up from the twist, make a twist.



4. Find the centre of your larger loop and push it towards where you made your twist. Then make another twist as in Step 3. This will give you three 'petals'.



5. Take the two petals without the knot and bend them in towards the knotted petal.



6. Reach your hands through the centre of the bent petals, take each side of the knotted petal and pull them halfway through the gaps.



7. Inflate a 5" latex and fit this into the centre of the knotted petal. Wrap the neck of the balloon into the flower.



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## Process - Carrot



1. Inflate your orange 360 to the length you want your carrot.



2. Tie off the 360. Push the air to the other end of the balloon.



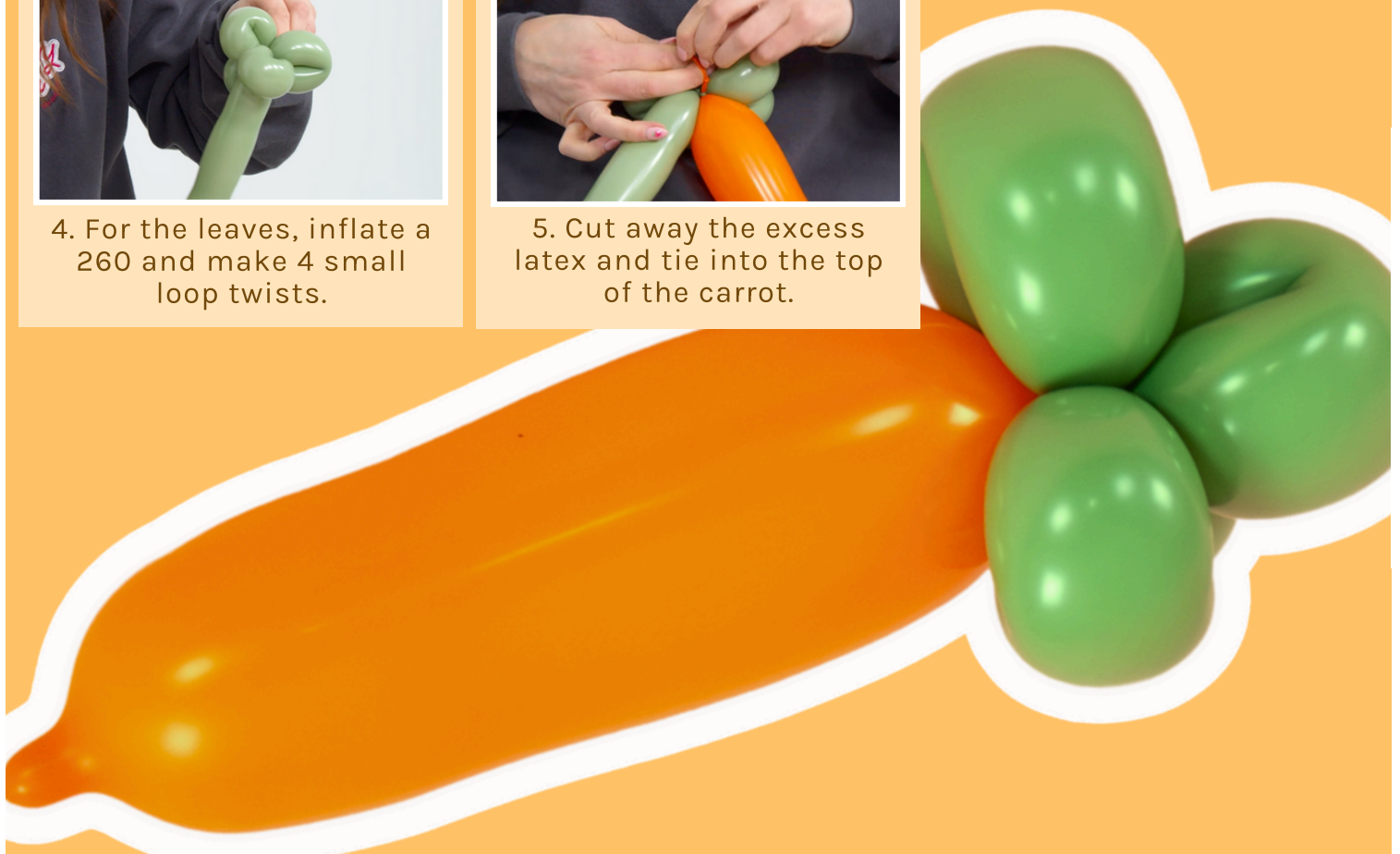
3. Cut off your excess latex and knot the end.



4. For the leaves, inflate a 260 and make 4 small loop twists.



5. Cut away the excess latex and tie into the top of the carrot.



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## Process - Closed Tulip



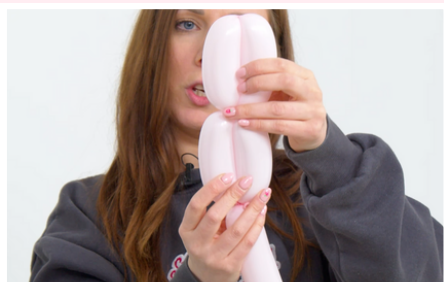
1. Inflate a 260 and twist four, medium-sized bubbles of the same length.



2. Take the end of the last bubble and twist around the base of the first bubble to secure it.



3. Hold the bubbles together in two pairs.



4. Twist in the middle to separate them.



5. Twist the topmost pair 90 degrees.



6. Carefully slide the pair you're holding over one of the segments from the other pair. This will give you a symmetrical pattern of four.



7. For the fifth petal, twist another medium-sized bubble. cut the end of the 260 and tie off.



8. Fit the fifth bubble in between two other bubbles. Wrap the excess latex into the base of the flower and tie to the knot tightly.



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## Process - Lavender Sprig



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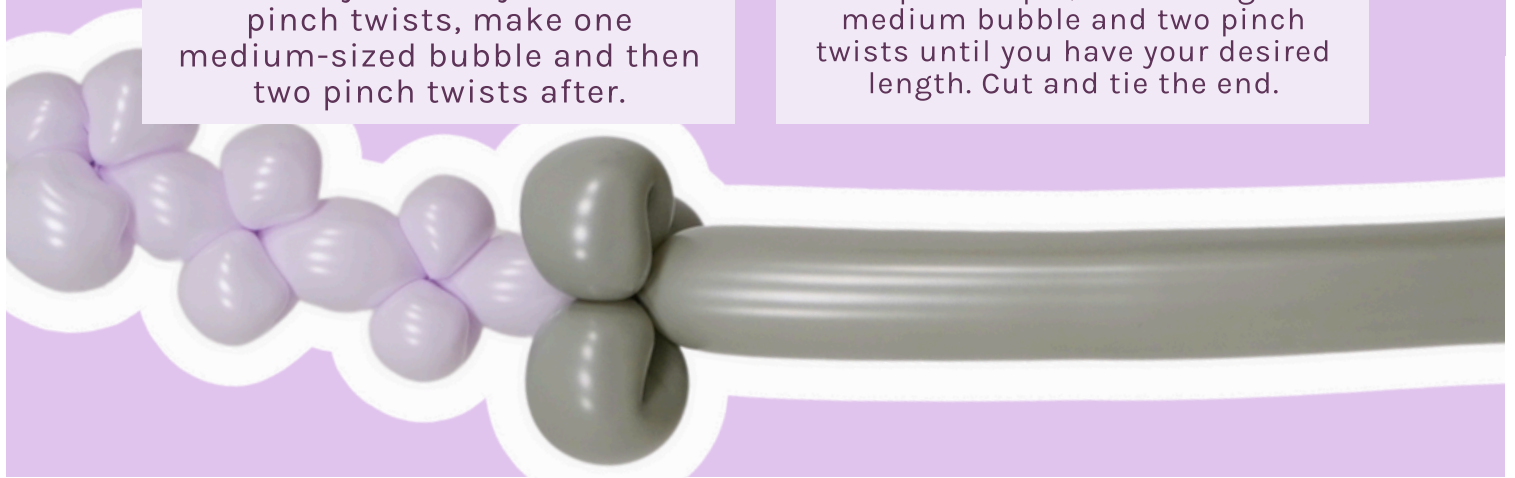
2. Make three pinch twists one after the other.



3. Once you have your three pinch twists, make one medium-sized bubble and then two pinch twists after.



4. Repeat step 3, alternating one medium bubble and two pinch twists until you have your desired length. Cut and tie the end.



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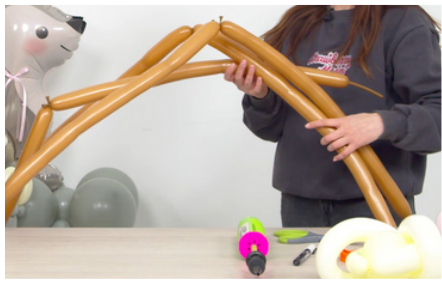
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## Process - Basket



1. Inflate six 260s and tie the ends together to make three duplets.



2. Place the duplets on top of each other and twist them together where they're knotted.



3. Take one 260, make a pinch twist near to the knot. Then repeat this with the 260 that is opposite the twist you've just made.



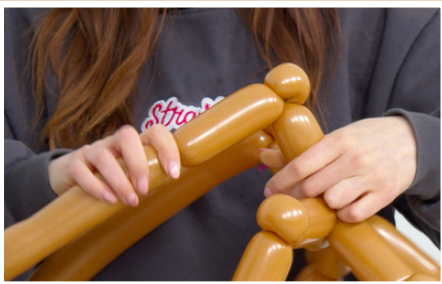
4. Take a 260 and twist off a medium-length bubble.



5. Make a pinch twist after this bubble.



6. Go around repeating steps 4 and 5 with all six 260s.



7. With your first 260, make another medium-length bubble.



8. Twist the end of this bubble into the pinch twist of the next 260.



9. Repeat this step with all your 260s, twisting each new bubble into an adjacent pinch twist.



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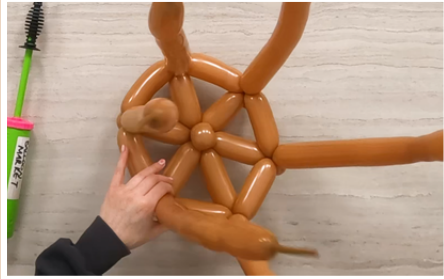
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## Process - Basket



10. When complete, you'll have something that looks like a wheel. This is the base of your basket.



11. To start weaving your basket, take your first 260 and make a small bubble above the base.



12. Using the same 260, make a medium-sized bubble identical to the ones in the first 'layer'.



13. Take the next 260 along, twist a small bubble at the base and twist in the medium bubble from the last 260. Repeat this the whole way round.



14. To finish a 'layer', make a medium bubble, then tuck the remainder of your last 260 through the bubbles of the previous layer.



15. Repeat steps 11 through 14, going around the 260s until the basket is your chosen height.



16. On your final layer, replace the small bubbles with pinch twists to seal the 260s.



17. For your handles, inflate two 260s and tie the knots together. Weave these in a spiral.



18. To attach, twist the ends together and cut off any excess. Then, simply tie each end around one of your pinch twists.



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