### Circus Column **Balloon Stack**

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### Equipment

- Hand Pump
- Adhesive Strips
- Electric Inflator
- 260 Modelling Balloons
- Balloon Sizer



#### **Products**

- Prima 5" White Latex
- Prima 11" Red Latex
- Prima 11" White Latex
- Prima 16" Gold Number 3 Foil



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- Prima 260 White Entertainer Balloons
- Prima 260 Yellow Entertainer Balloons

Prima 26" Circus Lion Foil

• Prima 4" Primadescent Star Deco Balloon

#### **Process**



1. To wrap a 260 around your Telescopic Balloon Stand, first pump a small bubble of air into your 260.



2. Take the neck of the 260 and place it at the base of the stand. Holding it in place with one hand, start wrapping the balloon up and around the stand.

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Once you've reached the end of the 260, cut the tip of the balloon and tie around the pole.



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4. Take an uninflated 12" white latex and put this on the tip of the pole to cover the sharp edge.



5. Inflate a 260 but don't tie the neck. Place the tip of the balloon on the top of the pole.

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6. Pull the balloon down the pole whilst slowly releasing air.



7. Make three, 5-balloon clusters using the 11" red latex, sized to 9", 8" and 7"



8. Make three 5-balloon clusters, two using 11" white latex sized to 8.5", 7.5" and one using 5" white latex sized to 4".



9. Stack these up the pole, alternating colours so that they taper towards the top.



10. To start your pedestal, inflate a yellow 260 and twist a small bubble.



11. Follow the bubble with a loop-twist. It should be big enough to feed another 260 through



12. Inflate a second 260 and push this into the loop-twist of the first 260.



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13. With your first 260, twist another small bubble, followed by the same length loop-twist as before.



14. Feed the other end of your second 260 into this loop twist and push the loop down so it sits beside the first.



15. Repeat steps 13 and 14 until you can't make any more loop-twists in the looping 260.



16. Continue by tying another 260 to the end of the one used to make the loops. Repeat steps 10 to 15 to finish the first half of the pedestal.



17. Make a second half by repeating steps 10 to 16 again. Tie these two parts together using the 'inside' 260s.



18. Place the 'pedestal' on the top of your stack.



19. Inflate your lion foil, tie a 260 to its valve and tie this into the penultimate cluster of your stack.



20. Inflate four 4" Primadescent stars and stick these an even distance around your pedestal



21. Stick your 16" number foil to the front of the stack to finish.



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