

Congratulations Party Arch

Estimated cost: Under \$20

Labor: About 20 minutes

Suggested retail price: \$75-\$85

Materials:

22" "Congratulations! Star Patterns" bubble balloons

5" onyx black latex balloons

5" white latex balloons

Helium: 22 cubic feet

Monofilament (fishing) line

Sand weights

(Quantities vary depending on size of arch)

Instructions:

1. Cut the designated length of monofilament line and secure both ends to stationary objects, such as doorknobs or chairs. Make sure the line is tight.

2. Helium inflate a bubble and tie the neck to the monofilament line. (You can adjust the balloon's position, if necessary, by wetting the line and gently sliding the balloon.)
4. Repeat step two until the arch is complete. For a professional look, use a spacer, such as balloon straw, to evenly space the balloons and eliminate the need to make adjustments later.
5. To make the collars, create a four-balloon cluster of 5" balloons sized to 3". Attach to the neck of the bubble.
6. Repeat step five until all bubbles have clusters.
7. Remove the line from the stationary objects and secure the ends to the sand weights.

Tip:

Since bubbles float longer, they are great for window displays.