

Garden Party Flower Pinata Template

Hung above the party table or from a tree branch, this handmade flower pinata adds a touch of splendor to any fairy gathering. Filled with small candies, this easy-to-make decoration quickly becomes the center of the party.

Full Instructions

1. Make the papier maché base

Inflate a large balloon and cover it with strips of newspaper (aprox. 1.5" wide and 8"long) using wallpaper paste or a mixture of white glue and water. Leave a small opening around the balloon tie uncovered. Create a couple of layers of newspaper and then let it dry fully overnight. Once it's fully dried, deflate and remove the balloon. Paint the papier maché white.

2. Create the opening flap and ribbon pulls

Cut a 3" square flap at the bottom of the base with a serrated knife. Then cut several 36" long ribbons. Hole punch two holes in the flap and thread one ribbon through the flap and tie it in a knot. Fill the pinata with lightweight candy – do not overfill. Close the flap using packing tape and then cover the flap area with a piece of crepe paper. Attach the rest of the ribbons using lightweight tape.

3. Create and attach petals

Using crepe paper, cut out 5" wide petals. Apply a thin ring of glue about 3" from the opening at the top. Attach each petal one at a time going all the way around the ring. Create a new ring 2" below and repeat all the way down the base.

4. Attach twine

Poke four holes around the top opening and then thread twine through all four then knot. Tape down the knot and holes to reinforce. Then tie a piece of twine to the two loops of twine and again reinforce with several pieces of tape.

5. Create leaves

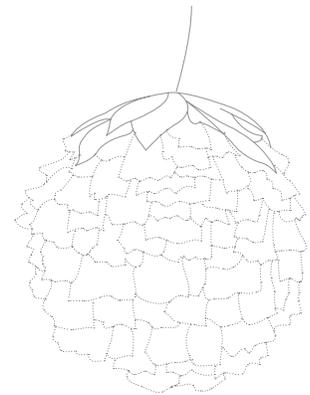
Cut leaves using stiff green crepe paper in 3 sizes: small, medium and large. Crease the center of each leaf and then begin to apply them (starting with the largest first) near the twine with a glue gun. Repeat with all the leaves, layering first the large, then medium and then small leaves, covering the opening and the tape. Optional: For a more finished look, wrap a strip of the green crepe paper around the twine with some quick drying glue.

Completion



Tools & Materials

Balloon
Newspaper
White Glue
Crepe Paper
Craft Scissors
Ribbons
White Paint
Twine



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