

# Pumpkin Decorations

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<https://youtu.be/EHJZu910Ixs>

**You will need:** 1 balloon, 12 yards of yarn, 1 yard of ribbon, white glue, water, a bowl, scissors, and something sharp (to pop the balloon). Optional: a hot glue gun, and a stick for the pumpkin stem.

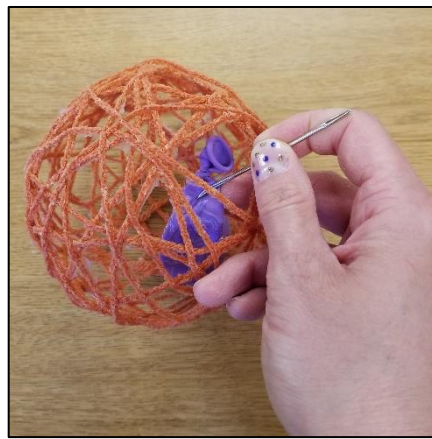
Inflate your balloons. Our example pumpkins were inflated to approximately 3" in diameter.



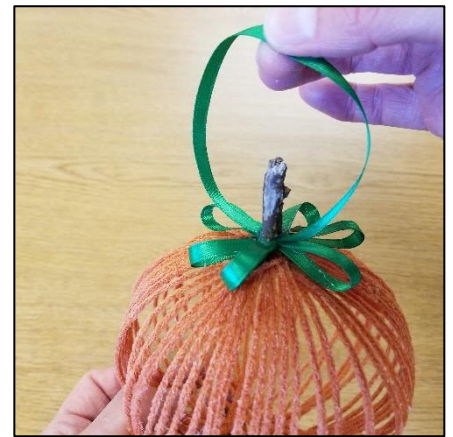
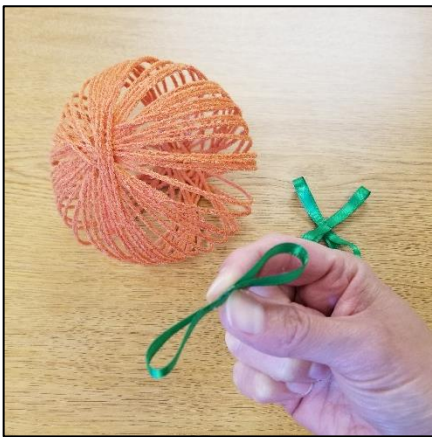
Create the glue mixture. Mix one part white glue with one part water. A shallow bowl works great for this! Saturate your yarn in the glue mixture. Begin wrapping the yarn around the balloon.



You can vary the style of your pumpkin by wrapping the yarn randomly or in an alternating pattern.



Leave the balloons to dry for 2 or 3 days. Pro tip: Resting the balloons on paper cups keeps them from sticking to the table! Once dry, carefully loosen the balloon from the stiffened yarn (otherwise the pumpkin will implode when the balloon is popped). Deflate the balloon with something sharp.



To create the leaves, take a strip of ribbon and glue the ends to the middle, creating a figure eight shape. Hot glue is great for this if you have it. Make 3 of these figure eights and glue them together, offset from each other. Optional: If you'd like to add a stem or a loop to hang your pumpkins, glue a loop of ribbon to the leaves, and glue a stick on top.

Once dry, glue the ribbon bundle and stick to the top of your pumpkin.



**Gourd-geous!**