Extreme Balloon Tying: More Than 40 Over-the-Top Projects
Synopsis

Here are more crafty twists and turns from the authors of the popular Ultimate Balloon Book—but this time, they’re going way over the top with creativity. These balloon sculptures use new techniques like the roll lock and the starburst, and they’re a little more complicated to yield awesome results. But don’t worry: each step is so well illustrated and captured in such detail that you won’t have any trouble following the process. Just check out the balloon basics and the dos and don’ts to get started making everything from a basket with fruit to a balloon corsage for your wrist.

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Customer Reviews

I am a professional entertainer and found this book very easy to use with some different and unique designs. I am always looking for different designs that are quick and easy. I found the instructions very easy to follow. The explanation of the different types of twist makes it easy even for a beginner. I highly recommend this book for all levels of twisters.

I’m new to balloon folding and I already have several books. This one is detailed and extreme! Almost all the designs use more than one balloon though. There are some that are big and use more than 10 balloons! It does contain figures that I don’t have in my other books which is nice. The directions are easy to follow considering how complicated the designs are. If you want one balloon projects, this isn’t a good book to use. But if you want wows from everyone this one’s great!
I purchased this book to work on getting beyond the basics with balloon twisting. I agree with "Rich" that quite a few of the projects in this book look...er.. "crappy". The author starts off by going over balloon basics: Types of balloons, where to purchase, storing, etc... then covers some 'twisting' techniques (Which is probably the best part of the book). The balloon 'creatures' follow. I bought the book for the dinosaurs and was very disappointed (they look anorexic...maybe that's the reason they became extinct?) I also had high hopes for the killer whale, dolphin and penguin (they look like genetics experiments gone wrong.) The "Baby" is downright frightening (I now have nightmares about it!) The rattlesnake, 'worm', saxophone, butterfly and bat look like they were done by someone who has never twisted a balloon before (no offense to you beginners...you could probably do better than the book’s author). My personal favorite creations out of the entire book were the skateboarder (on the cover) and the large "Basket of fruit", which I thought was a pretty creative thing to do with balloons...never seen that before. I guess for the instruction chapter and one or two 'projects', this might be worth the money. So my recommendation? : IF you’re going to buy it: DO buy it for the interesting twisting 'techniques' DON'T buy it hoping for "Realistic", or even instantly recognizable ‘animals’.(...and remember... I warned you about the 'Baby'!!)

I purchased this book for my girlfriend. It's not bad, but it's not great, either. Some of the balloon art creations look, er, crappy. Towards the end of the book, it sort of feels like the author ran out of ideas or something. But, hey, for the money, you can't beat it. If you want to learn the basics, this book will teach you. But that's about it. I shopped around before getting this one and it appears this is the best reviewed book in its price range.

I agree with that other person's review, it's a not great, but not terrible book to learn balloon tying. Pro1. clean glossy paper with COLOR (many balloon tying books are without colors and it's really hard to understand balloon twisting through a book let alone you have to coordinate without colors.) 2. easy directions - I love the real model pictures and nearly step-by-step illustrations with easy twisting symbols. 3. has a couple of popular and as well as less often used sculptures to learn from 4. the price is pretty cheap 5. My work place loved the Xmas tree I made from this book and it only took me half an hour with most of the time I was just picking colors for the balloon ornaments. Con1. I would personally prefer learning balloon tying through a professional/teacher or through watching a video than reading it from a book. It's hard to understand the motion without seeing the motion. 2. I found no use for most portion of the book - the single or two balloon creations. They aren't very appealing, ex. a single colored penguin or a crab is just not quite appealing to me.
My son has made everything in the book and loves it! I can't keep enough balloons in the house for him! That is the best tip I can give on any of these, make sure that you get lots of balloons from one of the suppliers on , they have the best prices.

Some things in this book are a little hard to follow, but for the most part if you know what you're doing you can figure it out.

This is a fun book that I purchased for someone who does some clowning and magic as well as balloon twisting. He loves it and is having fun exploring new ways to create balloon projects.

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