

# Instructions for Qualatex® Zany Zebra

To keep assembly time to a minimum, gather the materials and read through the instructions before beginning.

**Labor:** About 15 minutes

## Materials:

- 1 32" (81cm) "Zany Zebra" Microfoil® Shape 35404
  - 8 11" (28cm) "Zebra Stripes" White Latex Balloons 73149
  - 1 5" (2.5cm) Onyx Black Latex Balloons 43548
  - 1 260Q White Latex Balloons 43962
- Qualatex BalloonRibbon™  
Weight

## Instructions:

1. Inflate four 11" "Zebra Stripes" latex balloons to 9" (23cm) and create a 4-balloon cluster (see "4-Balloon Cluster" below). Tie to the weight.
2. Inflate four 11" "Zebra Stripes" latex balloons to 6.5" (16.5cm) and create a 4-balloon cluster. Tie this cluster into the cluster in Step 1, rotating it so it nests.
3. Inflate the 32" "Zany Zebra" Microfoil, roll up the neck with ribbon, and tie into the cluster in Step 2.
4. To create the "tail," inflate a 260Q White latex to 24" (61cm) and make two 1" (2.5cm) Pinch Twists at the knot end.
5. Make a Raisin Twist opposite the knot end of a 5" Onyx Black latex and inflate to 4" (10cm). Using your hands, push the air into the knot end to make a pear shape.
6. Using the 260Q scrap on the Raisin Twist, tie the Onyx Black latex into the Pinch Twists of the White 260Q tail. Trim the knot on the 5" latex. Tie the opposite end into the cluster in Step 1.



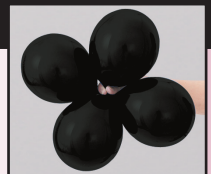
## Pinch Twist

1. Create a bubble by pinching the balloon and twisting it several times.
2. Make another twist at the appropriate bubble length, being sure to twist in the same direction both times.
3. Loop your index finger under the bubble. Grasp the sides of the bubble with your thumb and index finger, and stretch it up until you can pinch the twists together.
4. Remove your index finger, and twist the pinched bubble at least three times in one direction to secure.



## 4-Balloon Cluster

Inflate and size two balloons, then tie the necks together. Repeat to make a second pair, then twist the two pairs together to make a 4-balloon cluster.



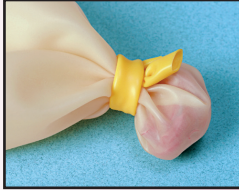
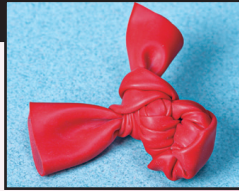
## Raisin Twist

Raisin twists allow you to create anchor points from which to attach other balloons. Use them to add detailed features and create unique distortion techniques.

**1.** Make bulky knots in an uninflated 350Q by tying several knots on top of one another. Trim the balloon on each side of the knots.

**2.** Insert the knotted 350Q inside the main balloon that is to be inflated and place in desired position. Grasp the knotted 350Q through the skin of the main balloon, twist it several times to make a raisin twist. Secure the twist by tying with monofilament line or an uninflated 160Q/260Q/350Q, or by tying on your balloon feature (such as a nose, eye, etc.).

**3.** Inflate the main balloon.



More ideas and instructions are available to professionals at **"Instruction Sheets"** and **"Balloon Ideas"** on [qualatex.com](http://qualatex.com).



### WARNING:

#### CHOKING HAZARD

Children under 8 years can choke or suffocate on uninflated or broken balloons.

Adult supervision required. Keep uninflated balloons from children.

Discard broken balloons at once.

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