

Jack Skellington Halloween String Garland

What's this? An adorably festive craft inspired by the King of Halloween Town!



Time: 1 Hour

What You'll Need

- White cotton string
- Black felt
- Water balloons
- Liquid fabric starch/Elmer's Liquid
- Faces template (below)
- Regular paper or cardstock
- Scissors

How To Make It

1. Blow up your water balloons so they are about 10cm wide and tie off the ends.
2. Cut the white cotton string into long lengths, about 1.5 metres long. You can always cut more.
3. Print the template below then cut out the eyes, nose, and mouth and trace them onto the black felt. Cut out the pieces. You will need a pair of eyes, a nose, and a mouth for each Jack Skellington string ball you wish to make.



4. Pour liquid starch into a bowl. Place your balloon into the bowl. Dip the ends of your 1.5m white string into the bowl and wrap the string around your balloon, soaking the string in the starch before you wrap. Add more lengths of white string. Once the balloon resembles a very messy spider web, hang the balloon up to dry. Place paper towels or craft paper under the balloons as they will drip.



5. Cut a piece of string about 30cm long and tie one end to the end of the balloon. (You will use this string to hang your balloon so it can dry).



6. Repeat this process with each Jack Skellington String Ball you wish to add to your garland.
7. Once all the string balls are dry, pop the balloons and pull them out through a gap in the string. Glue on a pair of eyes, a mouth, and a nose to each string ball. Tie them to a long ribbon, yarn, or string garland, evenly spacing them. Cut off extra string after you have tied them into place.

Notes

Cutting should be done by an adult.

Faces Template for String Ball Decoration

