



How do you plant a deco mesh garden? We'll show you how to grow your first larger-than-life bloom in this step-by-step tutorial.

poppin' petals

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Supplies

- 8" foam disc (2)
- 7/8" wooden dowel rod
- 21" deco mesh rolls (3)
 - 1 stem color
 - 2 petal colors
- Glitter ball pick (2)
- Floral pins
- Clear stretchy cording
- Hot glue gun and hot glue sticks
- Scissors
- Ruler



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To cover the base, cut 30" strips of deco mesh and secure to the foam with floral pins. Shape the mesh as you work—folding, bunching and twisting until the entire base is completely covered.



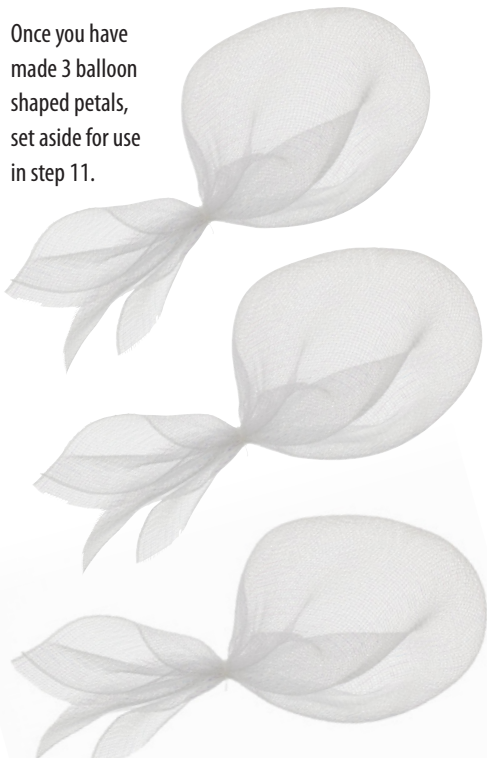
MAKING PETALS

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To make the first layer of petals, cut three 24" strips of deco mesh from one of your petal colors. Fold each strip in half, and work each into a balloon-like shape.



Once you have made 3 balloon shaped petals, set aside for use in step 11.



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Secure each balloon shape with cording as shown.



MAKING THE BUD

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To create the center of the flower, bundle the glitter ball picks together, and secure with cording. Then fold a 24" strip of deco mesh in half, lengthwise, and wrap it around glitter picks, shaping it to form a bud.



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Secure the flower bud with cording.





10 Tie the completed flower bud to the top of the dowel rod with cording, as shown.



11 Arrange the first layer of petals (balloon shapes from step 7) at the base of the flower as shown, and secure to the dowel rod with more cording.



12 To create the second layer of petals, cut three 36" strips of deco mesh from your second petal color.

Accordion-fold each strip, securing in the middle with cording.

Set aside some bloom room because these beauties are growing places!



13 Arrange the petals at the base of the flower as shown. Secure to the dowel rod with cording, and shape as desired.

