## Sempertex

# Festive Ring Christmas Designed By Chris Horne





#### **Product Required:**

144 (Approx) x 5" Sempertex Green balloons
a random mix of: Fashion Lime Green (20001977),
Fashion Forest Green (20001978),
Crystal Pastel Green (20013540), Crystal Green (2002004),
Metallic Green (20002028) and Metallic Lime Green (20002029).
11 x 5" Sempertex Reflex Green 20014172
15 x 5" Sempertex Crystal Red 20002001
15 x 5" Sempertex Reflex Silver 20014171
2 x 260 Sempertex Reflex Lime Green 20014186
2 x 6" Sempertex Fashion White Hearts
Scraps of modelling balloon
Hoop frame or Hula Hoop, approx. 30" in diameter

### **Construction Method:**

Estimated Labour time: 45 minutes.

- 1. Inflate 4 x randomly selected 5" balloons and tie into a cluster of 4. Each balloon in the cluster should be a different size, between 4" and 2.5". Repeat to create 35 more clusters.
- Wrap the clusters on to the hoop frame to completely fill it.
   Adjust the number of clusters depending on the size of your hoop.
- 4. Stuff the 5" Reflex Silver balloons inside the 5" Crystal Red balloons.
- 5. Inflate 3 of the stuffed balloons and one 5" Reflex lime green to 2", push the air up into the top of the balloons and tie tightly into a cluster of 4. Repeat to create 5 clusters.
- 6. Arrange the balloons in the clusters so that the 3 red balloons surround the Reflex green balloon, and tie the clusters equidistantly around the ring, using modelling balloon scraps.
- 7. Inflate 5 of the remaining 7 Reflex Lime Green balloons to 2", tie tightly and tie into the ring between the red clusters.
- 8. Stuff a 6" white Heart into a 5" Reflex Lime Green balloon. Inflate the Green balloon to 5", then inflate the Heart inside it. Tie off the heart, then deflate the Reflex Lime green balloon over it. Repeat, and tie the two resulting Reflex Lime Green hearts into a duplet.
- 9. Inflate both of the Reflex Lime Green 260 balloons fully, then let a little air out before tying them into a duplet. Twist a 1" bubble into one balloon close to the knot, then pinch-twist the bubble. Wrap the green heart duplet into the pinch twist to create the bow.
- 10. "Kink" the 260 balloons to create the shape of the tails of the bow.
- 11. Finally, tie the bow into the ring with modelling balloon scraps to complete the design.

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