



Holiday Hot Air Balloon

Materials:

- Color printer
- Card stock
- Scissors
- Glue dots
- Straw
- Tape



Instructions:

Your Scout Elf will be adorably up in the air when they create a colorful hot air balloon scene. To create the hot air balloon, your elf will:

1. Print and cut out the hot air balloon stencil and basket pieces.
2. Use the balloon stencil to trace and cut out six balloon shapes on card stock. This will create one full balloon after the steps below are followed.
3. Fold each balloon shape down the middle.
4. Apply three glue dots to the top, middle, and bottom of the inner fold of one balloon shape.
5. Place a second folded balloon shape's outer folded edge inside of the first, glued balloon shape, and press the middle folds down to ensure a strong hold.
6. Repeat step 5 until all pieces are stacked and connected along their middle lines. Once firmly secure, one side of the cluster should be a fully rounded 3D balloon shape when it is opened. The other side should be flat like the back of an open book.



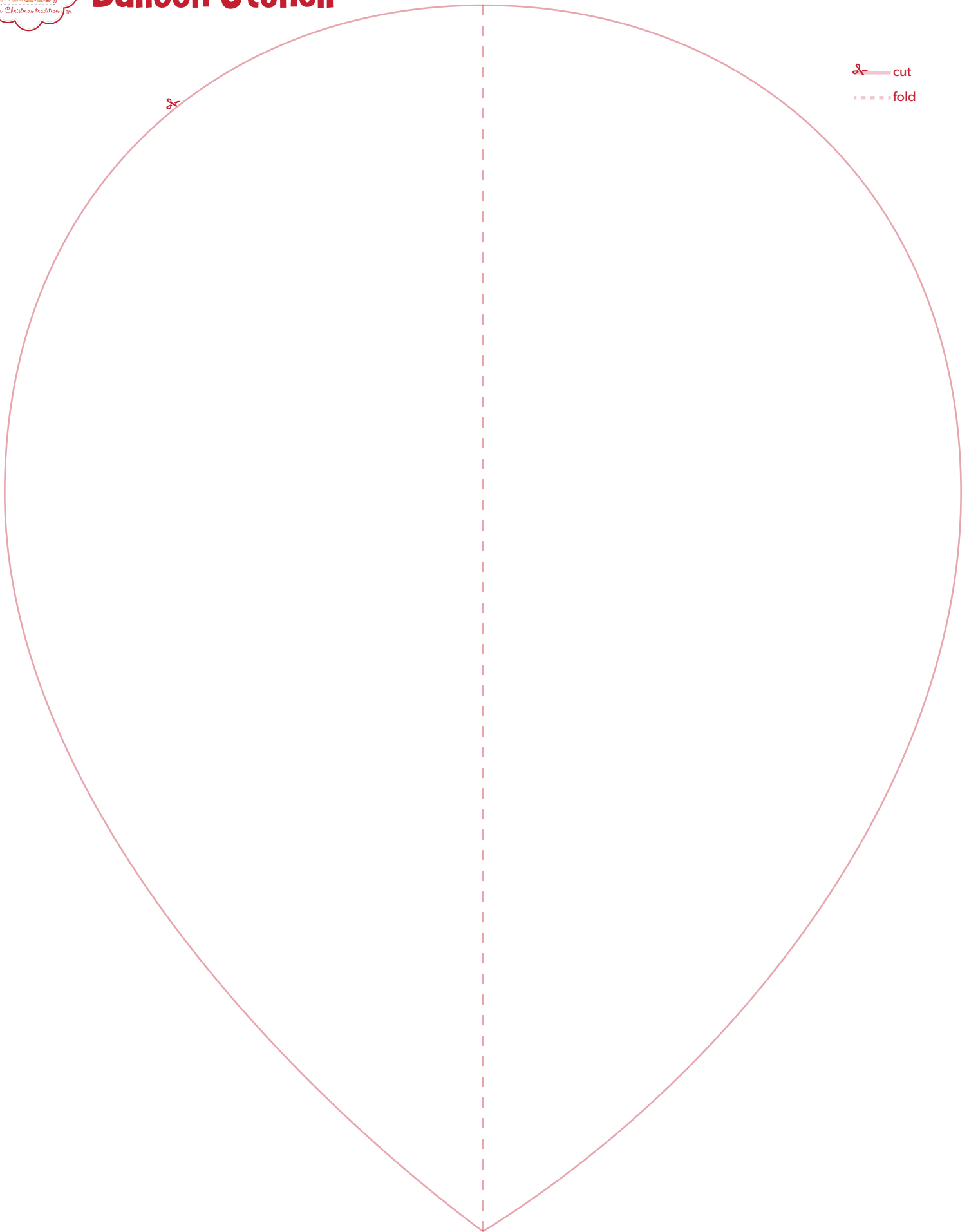
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7. Next, take the basket, and fold each tab and flap inward along the dotted lines.
8. Tape each tab to the flap next to it to hold the basket together.
9. Tape two straws in the two back corners of the basket.
10. Attach the basket to the wall using painter's tape.
11. Tape the balloon to the wall so it covers the tops of the straws.
12. As a finishing touch, cut out cloud shapes or even a sun to complete the scene. Sit in the basket and pretend they're sailing through the sky on a hot air balloon adventure!



Balloon Stencil



 cut
 fold



Basket

✂ — cut
- - - - - fold





Basket

✂ — cut
- - - - - fold

