Papel Picado Garland

What you will need:

- Papel picado templates (at the end of the instructions)
- Tissue paper in bright colors
- Scissors
- String
- Glue stick or tape

Instructions

1. Print the template and trim the edges along the template border.

2. Cut sheets of tissue paper to the same size as your template.

3. Fold the template along the middle line with the instructions on the outside.

4. Fold your tissue paper in half and insert it in the folded template sheet.
5. Follow the instructions on the template to fold and cut out the shapes on the fold.

6. When you’ve finished cutting, carefully open and flatten your paper.

7. Remove the template; be careful as the tissue paper can be quite fragile. You just made your first papel picado!

8. Repeat this process with other sheets of tissue paper. You can reuse the same template, use the second template, or try to create your own pattern.

9. Once you make 3 or 5 banners, you are ready to create your garland!

10. Fold the top of the papel picado and put the string inside the fold.

11. Glue or tape the fold down to secure the string inside.

12. Repeat the same with the other banners to complete the paper garland.

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1. Fold the sheet in half
2. Fold back along the line
3. Fold to the middle, creating a z-fold
4. Cut a semicircle at the bottom
5. Unfold the sheet to the initial fold
6. Fold along the horizontal line and cut out shapes on the vertical and horizontal folds
7. Fold along the diagonal line and cut out the shapes. Unfold to the 1/4 sheet
8. Fold along the line and cut out the shape

Trim the excess outside the template border
1. Fold the sheet in half
2. Fold in half again
3. Fold in half again
4. Cut a semicircle at the bottom
5. Unfold the sheet to the initial middle fold
6. Cut out the shapes along the middle fold
7. Fold along the diagonal line and cut out the shapes on the fold
8. Fold along the vertical line and cut out the shapes
9. Fold along the horizontal line and cut out the shapes on the fold
10. Fold along the vertical line and cut out the shapes

Trim the excess outside the template border