

DIY DÉCOR

POWER PUFFS

Looking for low-cost, high-impact embellishments for your reception? Consider stringing up lights and these gorgeous garlands. We'll show you how.

POM SQUAD Crafty bride Eunice Moyle (Spring 2010) set the scene at right by hanging colorful, hand-made pom-poms from the tent's ceiling. To make your own, simply dunk large, inexpensive coffee filters in a dye-filled bucket. Then toss the colored filters in your dryer for a few minutes for a textured look, or let them air-dry for a more ruffled effect. Stack 12 together, and connect the layers by pulling a needle and thread through the center. Use your fingers to fluff up the edges, and then string them on fishing line with a needle. Tie knots on either side to keep them in place. For a closer look, visit marthastewartweddings.com/realweddings2012.



FROM TOP: EMILY NATHAN, BILLY KATE ROEMER



SMART STRATEGY

Keep this project stress-free by dyeing the filters in one day, and then making the pom-poms in small batches in the months leading up to your wedding.