

Birthday Blastoff Cake Topper

Crafter level: Intermediate

What you'll need

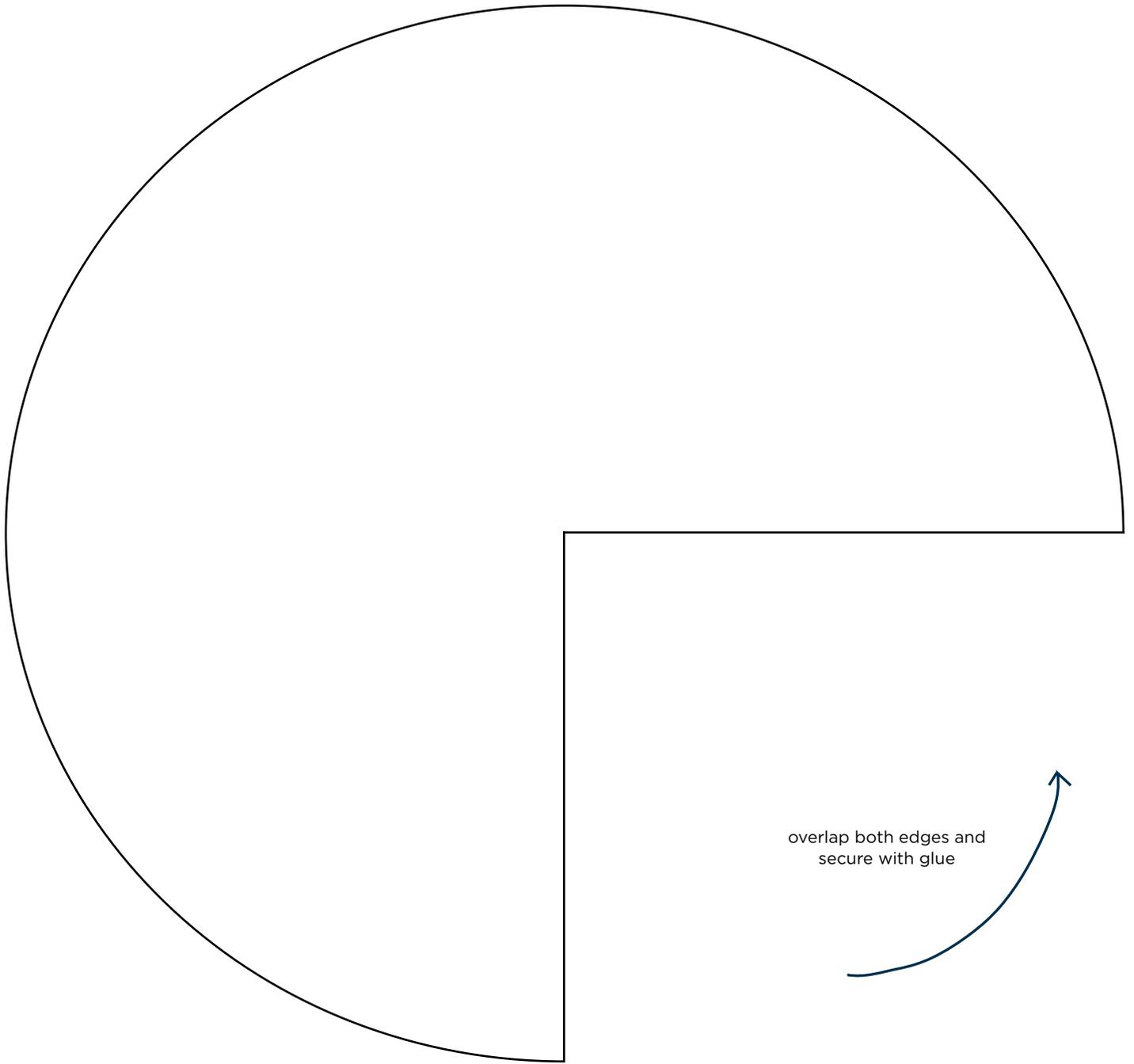
- Large paper tube (gift-wrap roll size) or several sheets of card stock
- Scissors
- Craft glue
- 2 sheets scrapbook paper (we used solid blue and white with red dots)
- Printouts of cone and legs templates
- 1 sheet red card stock or construction paper
- 1 sheet 1/8-in.-thick craft plywood
- Craft knife and cutting mat
- Nontoxic red craft paint and brush
- Ruler or tape measure



How to make it

1. Cut the paper tube to the height you want your rocket ship to be (ours was 5 inches tall). If using card stock, cut several 5-inch lengths and roll them into a cylinder shape about 2 inches in diameter. Glue to secure.
2. Cut a piece of scrapbook paper to match the tube size and wrap it around the tube. Glue to secure. Cut a 1-inch strip from the second piece of craft paper and glue around the base of the cylinder.
3. Cut a cone shape from the red scrapbook paper or construction paper using the template provided. Adjust shape to fit on top of cylinder, and then secure ends together with glue. Set aside.
4. Cut 3 legs from the craft wood with your craft knife using the templates provided. Paint wood legs with red craft paint. Let dry and apply a second coat if necessary.
5. Measure around the tube and make 3 evenly spaced slits, each about 2 1/4 inches long, in the tube using the craft knife. (Ours were spaced about 2 1/8 inches apart.) The slits should start about halfway down the sides of the cylinder and stop about 1/2 inch from the bottom of the cylinder.
6. Carefully insert the wooden legs into the slits and apply glue to the inside of the cylinder to secure them as needed.
7. Add the red cone to the top of the rocket ship and glue to secure.

Cone template



overlap both edges and
secure with glue



Leg templates

