

Recycled Plastic Bottle Wind Spinner

This wind spinner is made from a recycled plastic bottle and is a great way to keep critters out of the garden. This duck tape project is great for kids!



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Supplies

- 1- liter plastic bottle
- Colored Duck Tape or electrical tape
- Box cutter or craft knife
- Scissors
- Snap swivel
- Coated paper clip
- Fishing line

Instructions

1. Start by washing out your bottle and removing any labels. Cover the middle section of the bottle with tape. You can cut different colored tape into strips to create a stripe effect like we have.
2. Starting from the top of the tape and ending at the bottom of the tape, cut vertical slits in the bottle, about $\frac{3}{4}$ " apart.
3. Push the top of the bottle toward the bottom of the bottle. This will cause the slits to collapse. Hold it in place and fold each slit in the center, creating a crease.
4. Next angle the slits by making folds at the top and bottom of each slit. This allows the wind to catch them and make it spin. At the top of each slit make a 45-degree fold to the right. At the bottom of each slit make a 45-degree fold to the left.
5. Cut a small hole in the top of the bottle cap.
6. Unfold and stretch the paper clip out and thread it through the looped end of the swivel. Twist the paper clip together then insert it into the hole in the top of the bottle cap. Bend the ends of the paper clip so that it can't come back out the hole.

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A snap swivel is a piece of fishing tackle available at all discount department stores. Look for them in packages in the fishing aisle of the sporting goods section. They are inexpensive, a couple dollars for a package. The swivel is used so that the fishing line that your wind spinner is hanging from does not tangle around itself.