

DIY Wind Chime

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WHAT MAKES IT MEANINGFUL

A wind chime is a hanging decoration that makes soft, musical sounds when the wind blows through it. They are meaningful because they bring a sense of calm and tranquility, often associated with peaceful environments. The gentle music of wind chimes can soothe the mind, enhance outdoor spaces, and create a connection with nature through the harmonizing sounds they produce (Moana Nursery).

TIME

15-30 minutes

MATERIALS

There's a couple things you can use to make an at home wind chime:

- Metal straws (\$10+)
- Empty Cans (\$1+)
- Wind Chime kits (\$20+)
- Sticks
- Or any other material that can be tied with a string and makes a sound when they crash together... Get creative! Beads, coins, keys, shells! You name it!

To tie the chimes:

- String (\$5+)
- OR wire (\$10+)
- OR yarn (\$5+)

To hold it all together:

- Paper plate (\$5+ in a pack)



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- OR cardboard
- OR a stick
- OR any other material that can hold together all of your charms

Decoration (Optional)

- Paint
- glitter
- stickers
- Other decorative materials you may have

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Collect all of your 'charms.' For this example I will be using sticks.
2. Now is the time to decorate if you want! Or keep it natural!
 - a. This time, I would paint the sticks, put stickers on the paper plate and choose a nice colourful string. This is all up to personal preference! Interchange the decorative materials and how you use them. Customize your piece to the fullest!
3. Next, tie the string around your sound making material and keep the string attached to long so you can tie it to the base later
4. Once you've got all your charms tied onto strings, take your paper plate or cardboard and use a pencil to poke holes at the top
 - a. For example, if I had 6 sticks, I would poke 6 holes in my base
5. Next, take the long end of the string and pull it through the holes in the base and tie big knots so they don't fall through
6. Finally, poke one last hole through the middle of the base and loop your string through it to make something that will hang up your wind chime with
7. Set it outside, or in front of a light fan and enjoy the sounds of your creation!

*See reference pictures below for inspiration!

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RESOURCES

- [Why are Wind Chimes so Soothing? | Moana Nursery.](#)
- [Simple & Pretty Homemade Wind Chimes Kids Can Make!](#)

*All price estimates are made in reference to prices listed on *Amazon*

SUPPORTS NEEDED

Some individuals may need assistance with the fine motor skills associated with the craft. Encourage creativity in the customization!

REFERENCE PICTURES:

