

Plastic Bottle Dandelion Lantern

These recycled plastic water bottle lanterns look beautiful when lit and give a lovely effect of seeds being scattered.



Time to make: 45 minutes

Suitable for: suitable for older children and adults

You will need:

A clear plastic water bottle - 1 or 1.5 litre size. Bottles with grooves are fine, they don't show when lit.

White paper/card – use a paper that is heavier than normal text paper to get the dimensional effect.

LED replaceable battery tealight or battery operated string lights

Craft knife

Clear Scotch tape

Template

Cutting mat

Prepare the bottle

Remove the label and clean and dry the bottle. Cut the bottle to about 8” tall. Leave the bottom in to hold the light.



Print and cut the dandelion design

Print the template on paper, then carefully cut out the leaves and stems and cut along the lines of the petals. Be careful not to cut too much and cut them off. Fold the petals up so the blossoms become three dimensional. Use a spatula to help lift them off the cutting mat. Fit the paper around the bottle and cut any excess paper away.



Tape the design to the bottle and add a light

Tape the paper to the outside of the plastic bottle and insert a LED replaceable battery tealight or battery operated string lights.

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Place your lantern in your window or doorstep at dusk on Saturday 20th March.

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