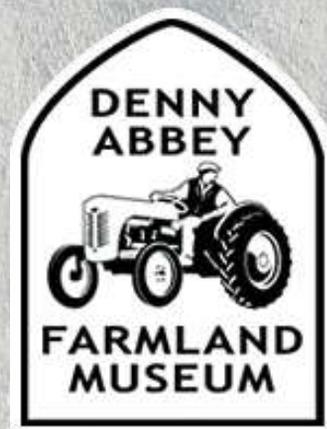


Garden Craft Ideas



Have fun making a decoration
for your garden or window.

Suncatchers

Use the sun to project rainbow colours in a room.

You can use clear plastic lids or a piece of plastic.

Cut up strips of brightly coloured tissue paper and stick them in patterns over the lids.

Pierce a hole to thread some cotton or string through and hang in a window to catch the sunlight.



Or make these heart shaped ones using some

Strong clear plastic (could be off of a food packet) and some flat backed craft jewels.

Again use clear glue to stick the jewels to the plastic then make a hanging loop with ribbon.

Tip: if you are using a white glue, thin it with water (3parts glue to 1 part water) to get a clearer effect.



Garden Windchimes

You can use a paper cup and mixed sized beads.

Make a hole in the bottom of the cup and thread some cord through to make a hanging loop.

Then make holes round the rim of the cup.

Tie on lengths of cord and thread on your beads.

Big beads will give more noise as they knock together in the wind.

If you have any shells from a visit to a beach, or some bells, add them to the ends of the cords to make more noise.



The one on the left is made from a small terracotta plant pot, some cord and pony beads.

Your piece of cord will need to be about 60cm long.

Fold it in half and poke the looped end through the hole of the plant pot.

Make a knot on the top of the pot to form a loop, then tie the two ends of the cord together inside the pot to stop it slipping down.

Now thread your beads onto both cords and knot each end to hold the beads in place.

Wind Spiral



For younger children draw a spiral pattern onto a paper plate and let your child make patterns on it then help them to cut out along the spiral lines.

Or, just let your child decorate a plate in anyway they wish then cut out the spiral pattern freehand.

Make a hole in one end for a hanging cord, then hang in the garden and see it twirl in the wind.