

Button Wind Chime Instructions

Items you are given: 1 twig, 1 skein of floss (colors will vary), 10 buttons

Items you will need: scissors, glue (optional)

Important: You will need to use your floss for three things: wrapping your twig, tying on your buttons, and creating a hanger, so plan accordingly when using your floss in the steps below. You don't want to run out!

Step 1: Preparing Your floss: Carefully unwrap your floss and then unravel it. Be careful not to get knots in it.

Step 2: Covering Your Twig: Take one end of the floss and wrap it around and around and around your twig so that none of the brown shows anymore. When you first start wrapping be sure to catch the end of floss you started with under the loops you are making, that way it will not come undone. Or to be safer, you can knot it onto the twig. (You can alternatively wrap it less tightly if you would rather have some twig show through.) When you are done wrapping, knot the floss onto the twig and cut off excess floss. If you want to be doubly safe that it will not come unraveled, add a drop of glue to each end.

Step 3: Adding Buttons: Cut 10 lengths of floss of equal length (making sure to leave enough floss to make a hanger) and add a button to the end of each one. Then tie the floss onto the twig you covered in Step 2. Try to get the buttons to hang close to each other and at about the same length so that when the wind catches them they will click together. They don't have to be exact, just make sure they will touch when swaying in the wind.

Step 4: Making The Hanger: Cut a piece of floss between 6-12 inches long. Tie one end to one of your covered twig, and then tie the other end of the floss to the other end of your covered twig.

Step 5: Hanging Your Wind Chime: Find a place in your yard that will catch the wind and hang your chime up. Enjoy the sound of the wood buttons clicking together!