

Recycled Planter

You'll need:

- Clean recycled plastic bottle
- Scissors
- Thick screw or nail
- Hanging material (twine, thick string/rope, or wire)
- Decoration materials (permanent markers, outdoor acrylic paint, non-toxic glue, stickers, paper, patterns, ribbons, etc.)
- Soil
- Seeds or plants (herbs, flowers, vegetables)



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Here's how:

- Create a design for your planter. Consider things like how many plants you want in your planter, which direction for hanging (vertical or horizontal), and/or how many planters you want. (Pointer: Make sure design allows for enough soil based on your plant and/or seeds.)
- Draw your plan onto your bottle and begin cutting your design. (Pointer: Use scissor point, screw, or nail to carefully start your cuts and make holes.)
- Think about how you want to hang your bottle. Choose a hanging material and secure it to the bottle.
- Use Scissor point or screw to carefully punch holes on the bottom of the bottle for drainage. Start with fewer holes and add more as needed to encourage drainage.
- Decorate the planter using any of your decoration materials. If using stickers or paper, place a thin layer of non-toxic glue over them to keep them secure.
- Add soil and plant the seeds or plants. Water as needed to keep your plants hydrated and happy.
- Extension: Experiment with location, plant types, and/or different recycled containers.