

# Beaded Garden Sparkler

This beaded garden sparkler dances with the sun in its array of colorful beads. It's sparkles and shines, and is the perfect adornment for any garden or yard!



Prep Time  
0 mins

Crafting Time  
1 hr

Total Time  
1 hr

Age Group: Adult Crafts    Project Type: Garden  
Makes: 1 garden sparkler

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5 from 3 votes

## Supplies

- plant stake 18" long
- floral wire 18 gauge in white
- beads assorted sizes, shapes, and colors. Must be able to thread wire through the holes\*
- mini spacer beads must be large enough to thread wire through the holes
- twine or brown cording

## Craft tools

- Hot glue gun and clear glue sticks
- Wire cutters or pliers

## Instructions

1. Sort beads into piles by size, color and shape.
2. Using wire cutters, cut 8 pieces of 18 gauge wire into lengths ranging from 7" to 9" long.
3. Working one strand at a time, begin threading the beads onto the wire. Start with a lighter-weight bead on the end, fold back the threaded wire, and twist around above the bead.
4. Add more beads to the strand covering the folded end of the wire.
5. After threading about 4 beads, place a mini spacer bead.
6. Continue adding more beads to the wire with a mix of color, size, and shape
7. After every grouping of 4-6 beads, place another mini spacer bead. Reserve the heavier weighted beads for the top of the strands.
8. Once the strand is full, use the pliers to clamp down on the mini spacer keeping about 1" of space between the bead groupings.
9. Continue with the remaining strands of wire changing the amount and mix of beads for each strand.
10. Next, overlap the unbeaded ends of the wire strands with the top of the plant stake. Cut another piece of 18 gauge wire and wrap the ends to the stake as shown.

11. To finish the look, wrap a piece of cording over top of the wrapped wire using hot glue to help hold the ends in place. Knot off and secure before clipping the ends of the cording.
12. Cut another piece of wire about 4" long and thread the heavier weighted beads onto the wire, securing the top bead in place. Insert the cut end of the wire into the top of the plant stake to complete the waterfall garden accessory.

## Expert Tips & FAQs

- Beads can be found at craft stores in the jewelry aisle and come in many different ranges of sizes, colors, and shapes. You can also find them at garage sales, thrift stores, or use repurposed jewelry you already have on hand.

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