How To Install A Rain Chain

- Rain chains are a fun, and beautiful alternative to a downspout.
- Use the following as a guide.

Let’s get started

1. Determine the best place for a rain chain.
   - Look for places where downspouts can lead to landscaped areas, rain barrel and where overflow can be diverted from foundations, are best.

2. Remove the downspout (if necessary) from the gutter).

3. Cut the gutter opening with tin snips into a “hula skirt”.

4. Add hanging bar to opening in the gutter.
   - This can be a small metal “u” shaped bar that is secured to the gutter opening.

- Use a leaf filter if needed.

You’ll need the following:

- Gloves
- Rain chain
- Tape measure
- Hacksaw
- Hanging bar
- Leaf filter (if needed)
- Tin snips
- Stones or gravel (optional)
5. Secure the chain to the bar per the manufacturer’s instructions.
   - Bend these 2 1/2" strips toward each other, so that they fold in towards the chain.

6. Decide on length of rain chain.
   - It should reach from the gutter to the ground (or rain barrel, if desired).

7. Run the chain to the tank or to a landscaped area.
   - Rocks and/or a shallow basin can be used to create a lovely focal point.

8. If in a very windy area, anchor the bottom of the chain.