

# How To Install A Rain Chain



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

## You'll need the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves       | <input type="checkbox"/> Leaf filter (if needed)     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rain chain   | <input type="checkbox"/> Tin snips                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure | <input type="checkbox"/> Stones or gravel (optional) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hacksaw      |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hanging bar  |  |

## 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".**

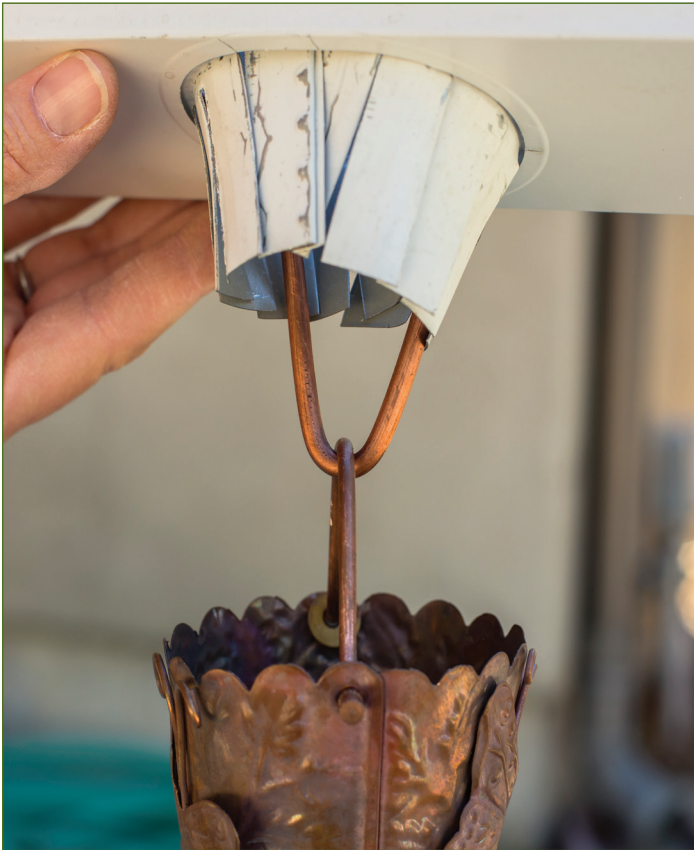
4. **Add hanging bar to opening in the gutter.**
  - This can be a small metal "u" shaped bar that is secured to the gutter opening.



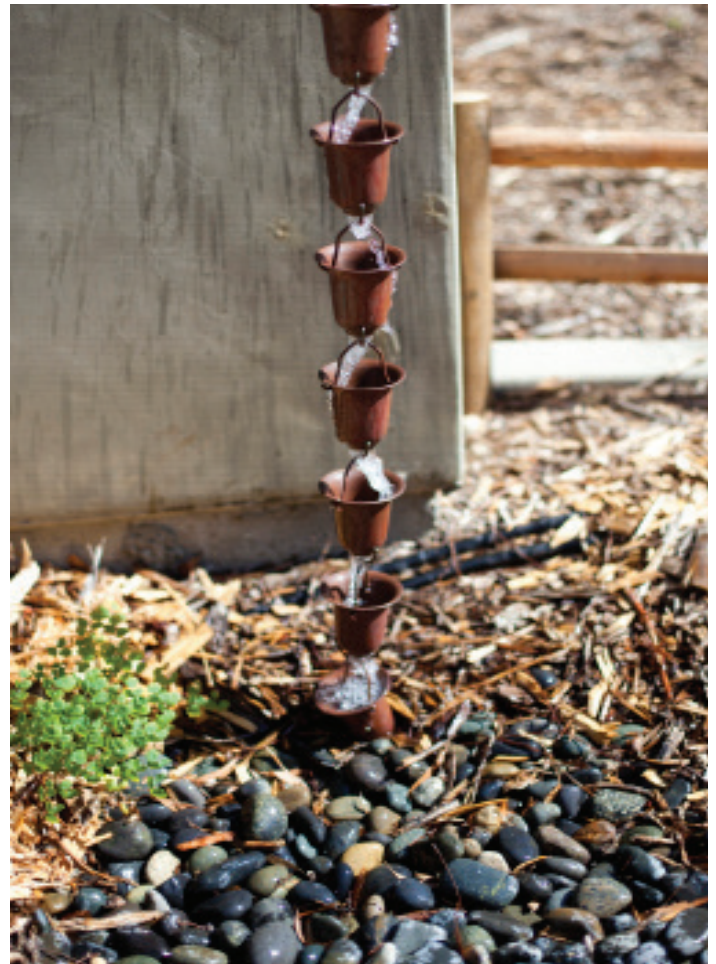
- Use a leaf filter if needed.



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.**