

How to Make an Aquarium Nightlight

Here's what you will need:

Jar
Plastic plant
Rocks
Shells
Sea Critters
Submersible LED light.
Clear thread/elastic cord
Scissors
Glue
Water



You can use a Mason type Jar, or re-use any type of jar you have, even a plastic container. Just make sure it has a wide enough mouth to put your items in.

Put in your plant. It can be an aquarium type or something that will hold up well in water. You can glue your plant to the bottom so it stays put, if you like. I used low-temp hot glue, but you can use regular glue if you account for dry time.

Add your rocks to the bottom. Aquarium rocks work well, or marbles, or you can use pea gravel or very small rocks you find. Just make sure they are very clean so it doesn't muddy the water.

Put in your shells and whatever sea critters you've chosen. Make sure they are small enough to fit in your jar. If you want to suspend one of them so it looks like it's swimming, leave it to side.

Glue your submersible LED light to the lid of the jar. You can use any color light you want. I used white ones, but they come in many colors.

Glue a piece of the clear thread or elastic cord to one side of the sea creature you want to suspend. Figure out where you want it to be in the jar and measure how long a piece of thread you will need from the lid to where you want it to hang. Trim the thread and glue the other end to the jar lid.

Add water slowly and carefully, so you don't disrupt the items you've placed on the rocks. If something gets moved out of place, you can always use a fork to move it back. Use very clear water. I used spring water from a bottle, because my tap water is full of calcium, lime, and rust. To keep your water clearer longer, start with the clearest water you can find.

Turn it on and ENJOY!