



# How to make your own fruit fly trap

## What you need:

Empty plastic bottles    Cotton wool    Plan D    Methyl Eugenol



1    Sharp knife    Pliers    Binding wire    Measuring container

Avoid getting any of the liquids on your skin. Wash hands thoroughly after you have finished building your trap.

Cut off the neck of the bottle at the second ring or serration.



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The cut-off neck will serve as an entry funnel into the rest of the bottle.



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4    Cut a piece of wire, about 60 cm or 2 feet long!



5    Heat the tip of the wire that you will insert through the bottle.



6    Pierce through the bottom of the bottle, avoiding the low centre.



7    Pull the wire through the bottle with equal lengths sticking out at each side!



Pull out a piece of cotton wool, and roll it into a ball, the size of a 20 Pesewas coin.

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Attach the ball to the wire at the open end of the bottle. But leave it still out.

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Mix 4 parts of Methyl Eugenol with 1 part of Plan D with the help of a measuring container.

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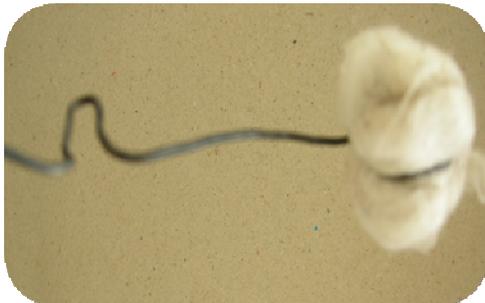
Dip the cotton wool ball into the mix and let it soak up the liquid.

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Bend the wire as below so it cannot be pulled all the way through the bottle.

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Pull the wire through till the bend in the wire stops it.

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Now insert the cut-off bottle neck piece into the base of the bottle!

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Push the neck in tight so it sits firm in the base of the bottle.

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The trap is ready now and can be placed in a tree.

Re-dip the cotton ball in the mix every 2-3 weeks!

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