

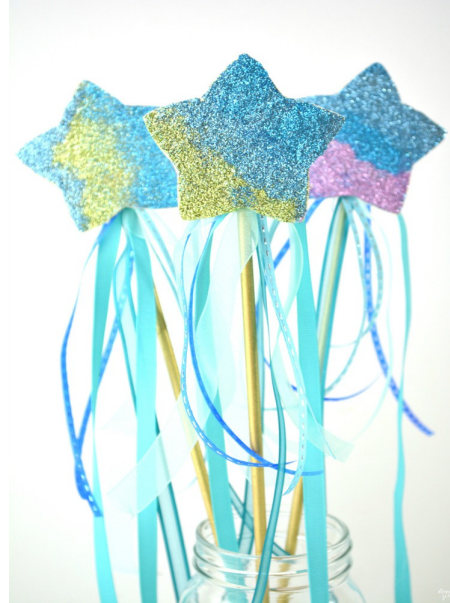
How to Make a Mermaid Wand

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Materials:

- Glitter in a variety of colors
- White cardboard sheet
- White craft glue
- Thin wooden dowels
- Variety of ribbons
- Gold spray paint
- Hot glue gun
- Paintbrush
- Star cookie cutter



Instructions:

1. Trace the shape of a star cookie cutter on a white cardboard piece.
2. Cut out the star shape.
3. Cover the cardboard star shape in a thin layer of white craft glue with a paintbrush.
4. Lightly sprinkle a base color of glitter over the glue, and knock the excess off.
5. Allow the glue to dry for a bit, and then paint over a portion of the star shape with some additional glue. Your lines do not have to be precise for this, you are just essentially going to layer colors of glitter on your star, so put the glue where you would like the additional colors to go.
6. Sprinkle on a second color of glitter and knock off the excess.
7. Continue the glue and glitter process until you have a glitter look that you like for your star.
8. In a well ventilated area, spray paint your wooden dowels gold and let them dry completely.
9. Cut a variety of different ribbons into strips. You can make them different lengths as well.
10. Tie the ribbons at the very top of the wooden dowel. Just make a simple knot, and continue to tie the ribbons onto the dowel, one on top of the other. Cut off the excess ribbon when you are through tying them on.
11. Use hot glue to attach your star to the top of your wooden dowel, covering the area where the ribbon is tied.