

# How to make Aroma Beads



Aroma Beads are the perfect answer to air fresheners. They can be colored, scented, melted, and layered. You can use them to scent almost anywhere. Aroma Beads are super absorbent, up to 30%- 40% fragrance oil and are a very fragrant addition to items such as sachets, potpourri, and organza bags. Plus, once the aroma beads have absorbed fragrance and coloring, they will never seep or bleed. Our Aroma Beads will outlast any other air freshener due to the amount of fragrance oil they absorb -a phenomenal selling aspect for your client. The profit margin is excellent for these beads.

So, let's get started on this fun creative adventure.

There are several different projects that you can make with aroma beads, but the standard for all of them is to first scent these amazing little translucent plastic beads.

As with any project that you are going to start. It is vital to have all of the appropriate equipment ready before getting started.

### **Required Equipment:**

- **Natures Garden Aroma Beads**
- **Natures Garden Fragrance Oil**
- **Spectrum Color Dyes (candle dyes)- if you are choosing to add color**
- **Gallon Ziploc Bags**
- **A stainless steel measuring cup**



Before we get started, it is very important to state that anything that fragrance will be in or touch can NEVER be used again for food cooking purposes.

1. The first step is to combine your liquids in a gallon Ziploc bag. The amount of fragrance and color is dependent upon how many aroma beads you would like to use. For this set of instructions, we are using 1 cup of Aroma beads. Pour your fragrance oil into a ¼ measuring cup. Pour the fragrance oil into the Ziploc bag. Color to your liking, usually this is 1-4 drops of Spectrum candle dye. Use more drops of liquid dye for darker, deeper colors, and less liquid dye for pastel colors. Never use food coloring or soap coloring when coloring aroma beads. Seal the bag. Carefully shake the liquids.

**Please note:** Extreme caution should be used anytime that you are working with fragrance oil and Spectrum candle dye. If the fragrance oil is spilled onto surfaces that have been stained, painted, or plastic the fragrance will eat the finish. As well, the liquid candle dye will permanently stain surfaces. As an extra precaution, you can always line your working area with newspaper to help prevent any damages.

2. The next step is to pour the Aroma Beads into the Ziploc bag. Carefully open the Ziploc bag and pour the Aroma Beads into it.

**Please note:** Be careful when handling the aroma beads. Because they are made from plastic, if they spill, they will bounce everywhere.

3. Seal the Ziploc bag again. Gently shake the combination of beads, fragrance oil, and coloring. You will want to shake the bag until all of the liquid is evenly dispersed among all of the beads.

4. Now starts the waiting game. Depending on which fragrance oils that you use, the absorption time varies. In some cases, it may even take 5 days. In any case, you will want to give the Ziploc bag a shake every few hours. The best suggestion we could give is to set the Ziploc bag in the bathroom to absorb. Then, every time you use the bathroom, give the sealed Ziploc bag a vigorous shake. This will help distribute an even absorption of all of the liquid among the Aroma Beads. This is the process of transforming the blah beads to the dazzling Wow beads, aka Aroma Beads!

5. The aroma beads have fully absorbed when all of the liquid is gone from the bottom of the Ziploc bag, and the beads themselves are dry to the touch.

6. Once the beads are dry to the touch, you are finished! Totally easy right! Not to mention, the colored beads are just radiant.

## *Additional Aroma Bead Notes*



If during the absorption process, you notice that you still have an excess of liquid on the bottom of your Ziploc bag after 1 full week, you can simply add more aroma beads to soak this up.

If you are making multiple colored beads, you have to ensure that the packaging that you are storing the beads in can withstand fragrance oil. As mentioned above, fragrance oil can eat finishes off of furniture, and as well, they can eat through some plastics. We suggest storing your finished beads in Ziploc baggies until you are ready to use them.

For totally awesome fragrance release, set your Aroma Beads in a window sill on a warm sunny day.

Aroma Beads scent throw is based on air circulation. This is the procedure for scent to permeate through a room. Always remember when dealing with a cold throw only product, the scent will never be that of a burning candle. In order to achieve a hot scent throw, there must be some kind of flame or heat source. A hot scent throw will never be accomplished with Aroma beads. They should never be put into a heat source.

On average, a room temperature Aroma bead air freshener will scent only the small area in which it sits. That is why aroma beads are best used for small areas such as a dresser drawer, office drawer, luggage bags, closets, or car air freshener, etc.

Occasionally, the Aroma Beads do need to be stirred, shaken, or mixed to rejuvenate the aroma of the beads.

Always use warning labels on all of the products when selling them.

## *Decoration Options*



With the versatility of Aroma Beads, feel free to add products such as Mica or fine grade glitter to give your end product a shimmer aspect. You also have the option of adding herbs or trinkets for example. The Mica or fine grade glitter additions would be added while the Aroma Beads are wet. Any other additions would be added after the Aroma Beads are dry to the touch.

If you really want to get creative, try layering colored aroma beads to match themes of the months, holidays, school colors –for fund raisers, showers, or seasons.

For a fun mix, you can make multicolored batches that are totally awesome and crazy.

## *Pricing*



Currently on the market, a single ounce of the scented and colored aroma beads sells for about \$2.00. From there, you have to account for any kind of packaging, or additional costs that you have put into your beads.

# *Some possible uses for Aroma Beads*



**Please note:** For scenting any Aroma Beads that will come into contact with the skin, make sure that you are selecting body safe fragrance oils.

- Favors at receptions
- Fundraisers
- Perfect for gym lockers
- Make your own freshener for teenager's stinky shoes
- Add a few scented aroma beads to your vacuum bag for a nice scented bonus to a newly vacuumed and cleaned home
- Holiday décor
- Scented stuffing for stuffed animals, or pillows
- Car air fresheners
- Aroma Beads are extravagant in Smelly Jelly Jars
- A beautiful contrast to dry potpourri, especially if the Aroma Beads were shimmered with gold or silver Mica
- Instant relief for sinuses - just scent the Aroma Beads with Natures Gardens Sinus Relief fragrance oil and place in a small jar. Then, have a little sniff anytime sinus problems start to creep up.
- Aromatherapy anywhere – just scent the Aroma Beads with any one of Nature's Gardens Aromatherapy Line. These beads (once dried) can be put into a little organza bag, or sachet and kept anywhere (purses, office drawers, briefcases, desks) for a little uplifting or relaxing during a hectic day.
- Scented ornaments- you can melt the aroma beads and shape them by using a cookie cutter to have some fun, different variations.
- Hang a sachet bag filled with aroma beads in front of any air vent. This will have a great scent throw due to the abundance of air flow through the vents.

## *Aroma Bead NO NO's*



- Never set the aroma beads on finished surfaces, painted surfaces, or plastic surfaces unprotected. The dye will stain, and the fragrance oil will eat the finish- permanently ruining it.
- Do not use in a tart warmer or electric potpourri burner. Aroma beads are not meant to be burnt or heated electrically. They are composed of plastic and will melt!
- Keep out of the reach of children and pets.
- Never use soap dyes or food coloring to color your Aroma Beads. They will NOT work!
- Never try to use Aroma Beads as candle wax.



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