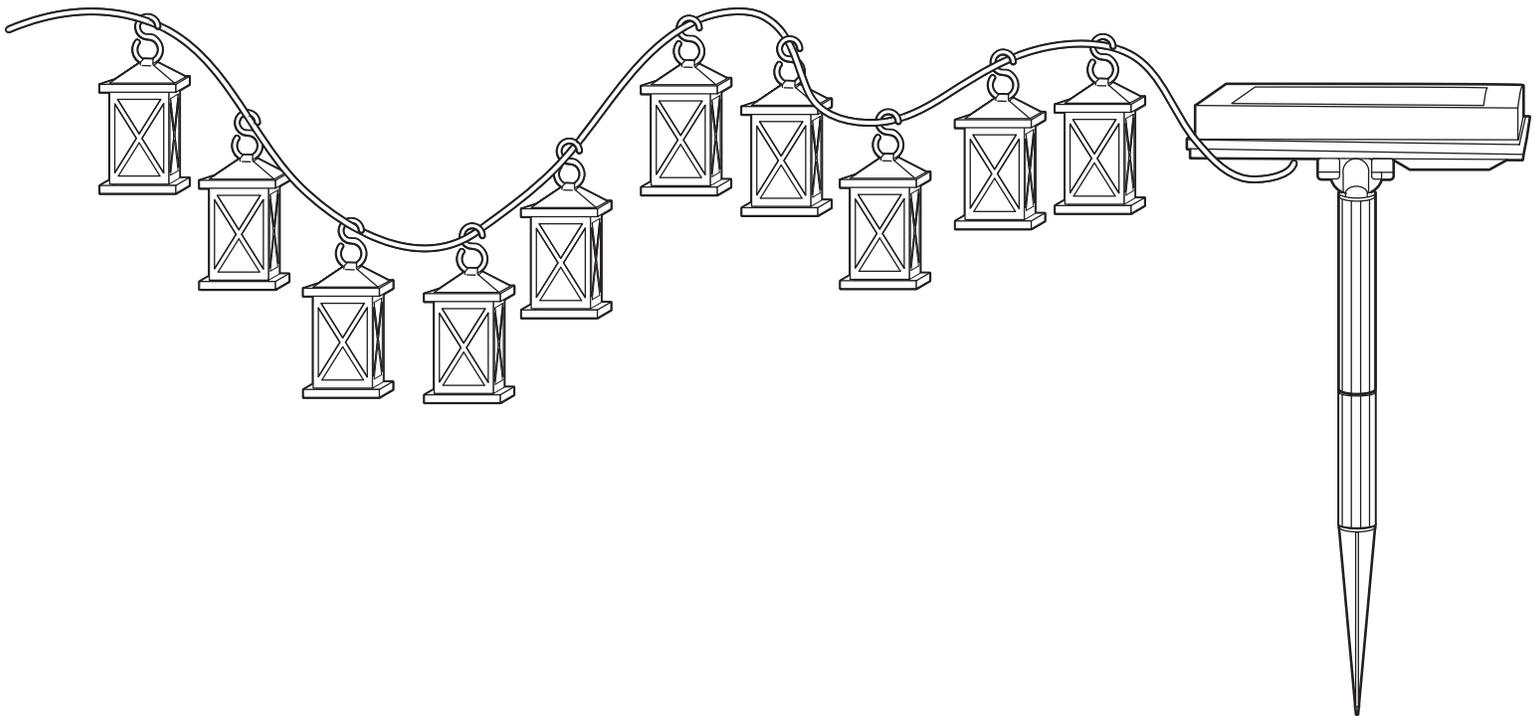


USE AND CARE GUIDE

LANTERN STRING LIGHTS



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Safety Information

Please read and understand the instructions in this entire manual before installing these solar lights.

 **WARNING:** Only use NiMh rechargeable batteries with these solar lights. Do not mix battery types.

 **WARNING:** Do not open, short circuit, or mutilate batteries as injury may occur. Batteries must be recycled or disposed of properly.

Warranty

ONE YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

The manufacturer warrants this product to be free for one (1) year against any defects that are due to faulty materials or workmanship. This warranty applies only to the original consumer purchaser and only to products used in normal use and service. If this product is found to be defective, the manufacturer's only obligation, and your exclusive remedy, is the repair or replacement of the product at the manufacturer's discretion, provided that the product has not been damaged through misuse, abuse, accident, modifications, alterations, neglect, or mishandling. This warranty shall not apply to any product that is found to have been improperly installed, set up, or used in any way not in accordance with the instructions supplied with the product. This warranty shall not apply to a failure of the product as a result of an accident, misuse, abuse, negligence, alteration, or faulty installation or any other failure not relating to faulty workmanship. This warranty shall not apply to the finish on any portion of the product, such as surface and/or weathering, as this is considered normal wear and tear. The manufacturer does not warrant and specifically disclaims any warranty, whether expressed or implied, or fitness for a particular purpose, other than the warranty contained herein. The manufacturer specifically disclaims any liability and shall not be liable for any consequential or incidental loss or damage, including any labor/ expense costs involved in the replacement or repair of said product.

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Pre-Installation

PLANNING INSTALLATION

Compare all parts in the package with the Package Contents list. Verify that all parts are included and that there is no damage. If any parts are missing or damaged, contact the Customer Service Team at 1-877-527-0313 or visit www.HomeDepot.com.

Choose an installation location where direct sunlight can be absorbed onto the face of the solar panel for as many hours as possible throughout the day. Shadows cast by homes, trees, and structures will restrict the charging of the batteries and affect the total hours of operation of the lights.

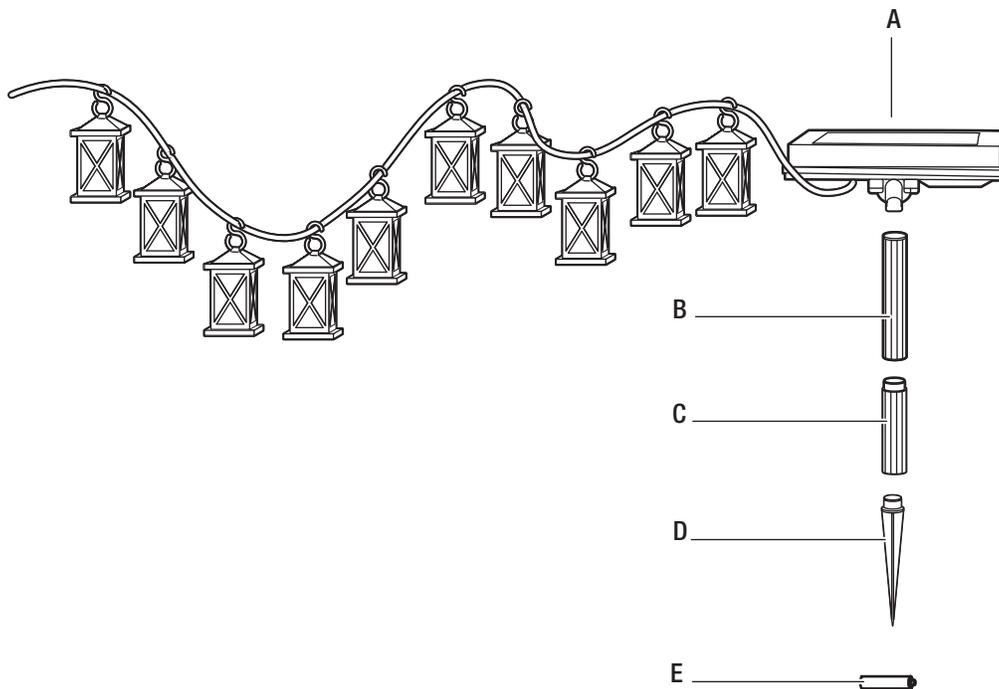


NOTE: The batteries come pre-charged but some discharge may happen during storage or transit.

HOW SOLAR WORKS

During daylight hours, the sun will charge the batteries in the solar panel and the lights will turn on at dusk. Light output depends upon how much light the solar panel receives. Position the solar panel so that it receives maximum sunlight. If there are streetlights or other lighting that could shine directly into or near the solar panel, these lights may trigger the light sensor and the lights may turn off. The solar panel must sense darkness to operate.

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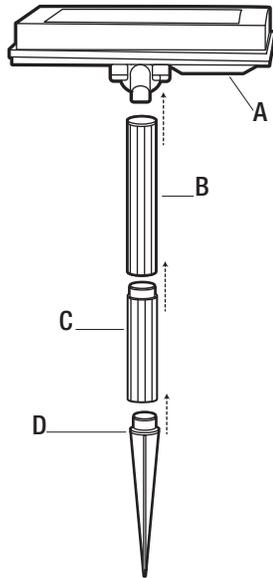


Part	Description	Quantity
A	Solar panel with string lights	1
B	Top post	1
C	Middle post	1
D	Ground stake	1
E	AA 1.2V 1200 mAh NiMh rechargeable battery, (preinstalled)	2

Installation

1 Assembling the solar stake

- Insert the bottom of the solar panel (A) into the top of the top post (B).
- Insert the top of the middle post (C) into the bottom of the top post (B).
- Insert the top of the ground stake (D) into the bottom of the middle post (C).



2 Preparing the solar panels

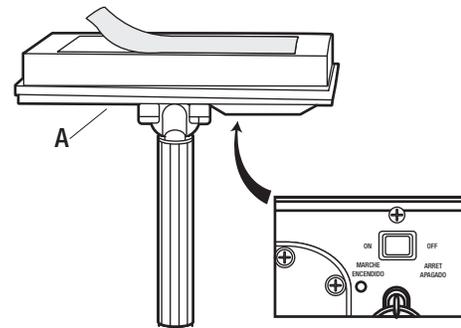


NOTE: To allow each battery to reach full capacity and perform correctly, pull out the plastic tab and place the solar light in full sunlight for the first 12 hours. Failure to do so can shorten the life of the battery or operation of the light. On cloudy or rainy days it may take several days for the batteries to fully charge.



NOTE: To protect the solar panel from damage, do not use force during assembly. Keep the plastic shades in the packaging until you need to install them.

- Remove the protective film from the top of the solar panel (A).
- Turn the switch underneath the solar panel (A) to the ON position.

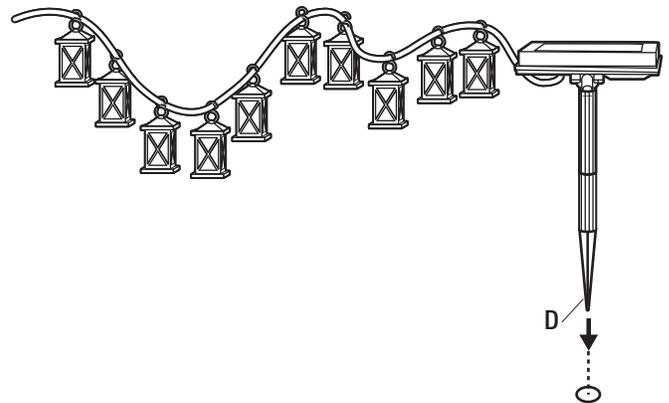


3 Installing the solar lights



NOTE: Do not use a hammer to install the ground stakes. This could cause damage to the solar lights.

- Prepare a hole in the ground for the solar light assembly. Use a tool such as a screwdriver to prepare the installation hole to ensure that the hole is not larger than the ground stake (D).
- Insert the solar light assembly into the prepared hole.
- Position the lantern string lights in the desired location.



Maintenance

REPLACING THE BATTERY



WARNING: Only use NiMh rechargeable batteries with these solar lights. Do not mix battery types.



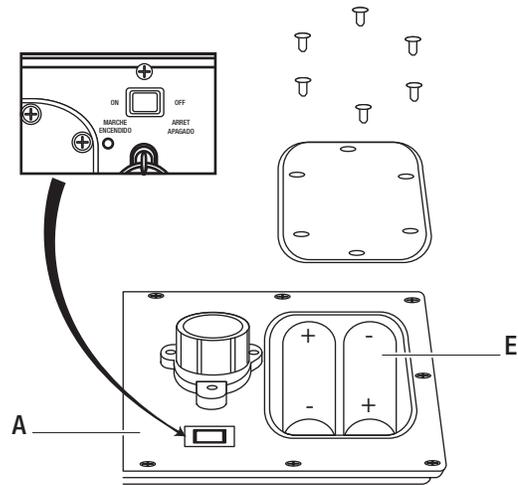
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CAUTION: Do not use a smaller mAh battery as it will affect performance. Larger mAh batteries are acceptable. Ensure you have positioned the batteries with the correct polarity (+) and (-).



NOTE: Battery performance is affected by weather and temperature. Expect reduced performance in adverse conditions of cold, extreme cold, extreme heat plus humidity and dampness.



1. Slide the power switch on the solar panel (A) to the OFF position.
2. Unscrew the battery cover underneath the solar panel (A) and remove the old batteries (E).
3. Clean the battery contacts on the new batteries and the solar panel (A).
4. Replace with two new AA NiMh 1200 mAh rechargeable batteries.
5. Replace the battery cover and screws.
6. Slide the power switch to the ON position and allow the batteries to fully charge prior to first use.

Care and Cleaning

- It is recommended that solar lights not be used in freezing conditions. Monitor weather and take solar items indoors for storage as needed. Keep snow or other buildup off the solar panels so that the batteries are able to recharge.
- Remove batteries from equipment that will not be used for an extended period of time.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Solution
The solar lights do not come on.	Check that the switch underneath the solar panel is in the ON position.
	Check to ensure there are no obstructions over the top of the solar panel.
	Check to ensure that the battery(s) are installed correctly and there is nothing blocking the battery terminals from making contact.
	Check to ensure the solar panel is positioned to sense both daylight and night time. If bright lights shine near or into the solar panel, these lights may trigger the light sensor and the lights may turn off. Bright lights can act like daylight and keep the system from starting.
	Battery(s) may need to be changed and vary by use, temperature, weather conditions, and heat. Replace the batteries with the exact same type of rechargeable batteries.
	Ensure the batteries are fully charged. It is important to charge the batteries for 12 hours in full sun before usage. The switch on the solar panel must also be in the ON position. Cloudy or rainy days may require a longer charging time.
	In some cases, you may have to open the battery compartment and “seat” the batteries correctly between metal clips as some dislodging may occur during the shipment. Also ensure the correct polarity (+) and (-).
	Cloudy or rainy days generate far less charge on the solar panel and thus fewer hours of operation. Prolonged cloudy or rainy days can affect performance dramatically.

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