How to build a Solar Bottle Bulb
Materials

- PET soda bottle
- Galvanized Iron (GI) sheet
- Epoxy/Rubber sealant
- Bleach
- Filtered Water
How to ASSEMBLE the Solar Bottle Bulb

1. Cut approximately 9 x 10 inches of GI sheet (corrugated or flat, depending on the roof where Solar Bottle Bulb will be installed)

Recommended GI sheet: 0.06 gauge 24
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At the center of the GI sheet, draw 2 circles.

(outer: similar to the circumference of the soda bottle; inner: 1 cm smaller).

Cut the inner, smaller circle.
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Cut the 1 cm difference radially, making strips and bend upwards, perpendicular to the GI sheet.
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4 Using sandpaper, scratch the surface around the upper third portion of the PET bottle where the GI sheet will be placed, to allow the epoxy or rubber sealant to stick better.
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5. Insert the bottle into the GI sheet until the upper third.
Apply rubber sealant on the strips above and around the area below.
Wait to dry.
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Fill the PET bottle with filtered water and ~10 mL (2 capfuls) of bleach.

Cover with its original cap.
The solar bottle bulb is now ready for installation!
How to INSTALL the Solar Bottle Bulb

1. Cut a hole on the roof, similar to the bottle circumference.
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Apply rubber sealant around the hole.
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Place the solar bottle bulb into the hole.

Make sure it is firmly in place.
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4 Drill 3-4 holes on each side of the solar bottle bulb and put in the rivets.
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Apply rubber sealant on all sides of the GI sheet of the solar bottle bulb to avoid leakage.

Make sure to cover the rivets.
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Place a protective plastic tube on the bottle cap and apply rubber sealant.
The Solar Bottle Bulb has been installed to provide ~55 watts of light.