

Time for a Change-Simple and Cheap Ways To Update

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Are you ready for a change in your home décor? With autumn around the corner, that's always my cue to do something new. Play around with simple, low-cost ideas and you can breathe new life into your home.

Change the flow of your home by rearranging the furniture. Take the furniture off the wall and don't be afraid to float your sofa in the center of the room. Make sure that the seating arrangement invites intimate communication without having to yell across the room.

Display your very favorite items. What good does it do for you to keep your favorite vacation or heirloom treasures wrapped in plastic and tucked away in the closet? Take them out and proudly show off the things that you really like. Whether it's a special vase or a dainty dish, simply select a safe display spot, and you will be guaranteed to smile each time you pass by it.

Create a focal point with an area rug. Think about the new indoor/outdoor rugs, which are durable and often less expensive. In addition, a rug is a great way to add interest to the room-the use of large patterns or bold colors can revive an otherwise subdued area.

Add various textures to a limited color-scheme. If your colors are green and cream, make it pop and create interest by incorporating a variety of vibes; green glass vases, green matte ceramic pieces, green plants, and green suede pillows.

Utilize plants as a scene-changer. Not only do they revitalize a space, some even act as air filters. Don't have a green thumb? Consider trying the succulents; they are the type that have thick leaves and stems that can store water, so they require very little watering on your part.

Swap out the sofa pillows for new ones or go shopping in another room in your home. Maybe

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the decorative pillows on your bed would look great in the living room!

Cover your dining table with a beautiful tablecloth. It will instantly dress up the room. Furthermore, it can also disguise a table that has seen better days.

As you can see, there are endless possibilities when it comes to updating your space. You don't have to have a big budget to make a big impact. Use what you have from other rooms, shop for items that are on the clearance racks, and don't be afraid of-or overwhelmed by-thrift stores. Strive to make your home your family's sanctuary; Keep the things you love and get rid of the rest, keep it clutter-free and most important; keep the family members as the number one priority. Enjoy!

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