

XCentric Ideas

Quick décor
tips for:

Bedroom
Kitchen
Lounge
Dining Room
Outside



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Handbags clogging up
your cupboard space?

Display them proudly.



Quickest Canopy Ever:

Gauzy fabric looped through
rings.



Gate Headboard:

Use an old, rusted iron
gate. Leave the rust for
effect, touch up the paint
and dab gold paint in the
grooves.

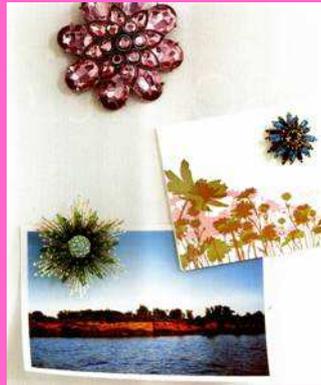


Not a fan of ruffles
for the base?

Use a fitted sheet in the
same colour as the sheets.

Brooch Magnets:

Don't toss out old brooches. Remove the pin and glue a magnet in its place.



Soft Drink Magnets:

Remove the inside plastic from the lids. Attach a magnet with double-sided tape.



Cutlery Holders:

Use old tins. Remove the label, wash & dry. Glue a nice picture on and seal with clear varnish.



Dishwashing Liquid:

Instead of the usual branded bottle, use a glass bottle and top with a 'pour dispenser' ('skinktuit').



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Gift Bag Organiser:

Organise small things in pretty gift bags and arrange on book shelves.



Unique Candelabra:

Paint an old candelabra blue. Decorate with ribbons, forks and beads.



Candle Corbels:

Buy a 'corbel' (polystyrene) from a Moulding Shop, paint, attach to wall and light your candles.



Flower Trim Cushion:

Update scatter cushions with colourful trim – use glue (Bostik Sew Simple) or your sewing skills.

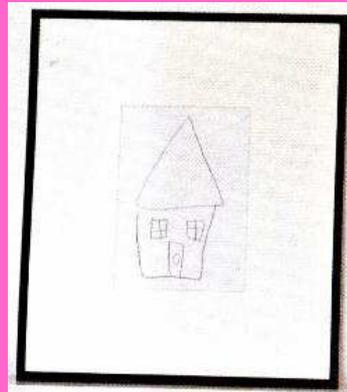
Gold Figurines:

Did you inherit figurines but feel they are outdated? Spray-paint with Plascon Grey, followed with a few layers of gold/silver. Be amazed at the result.



No Picasso?:

Who said you have to buy expensive paintings? Draw one yourself or ask your kid, frame nicely and voila!



Shell Curtain:

For a small bathroom or kitchen window, attach ribbons to shells and hang them from the curtain rod.



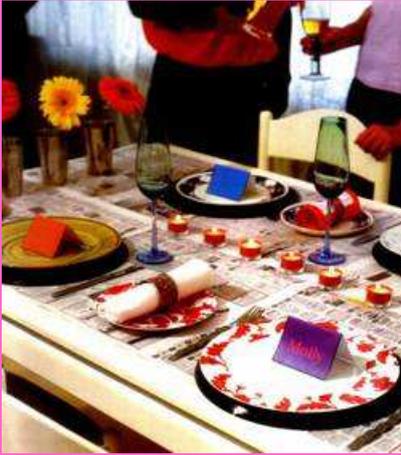
Africa White:

Tired of traditional black Africa stools? Wash thoroughly with warm soapy water (use rough side of kitchen sponge to get rid of wax), rinse, let dry and paint with few layers.



DIY HOME DECOR

Dining Room



Newspaper Cloth:

Use newspapers as tablecloth, cover with transparent plastic and decorate with colourful, mismatched cutlery and crockery.



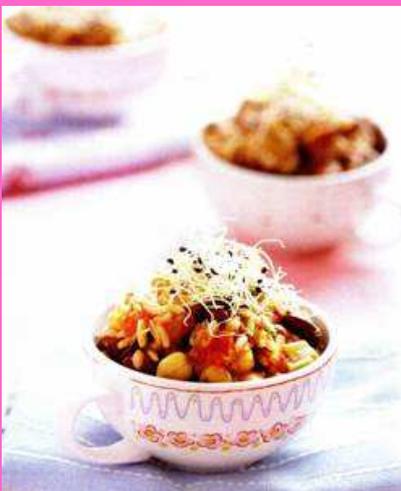
Box Centerpiece:

Add a quirky sense of dining style – use a pretty gift box as part of your centerpiece.



Peg the Name:

Name tags couldn't be easier – peg the name and napkin together.

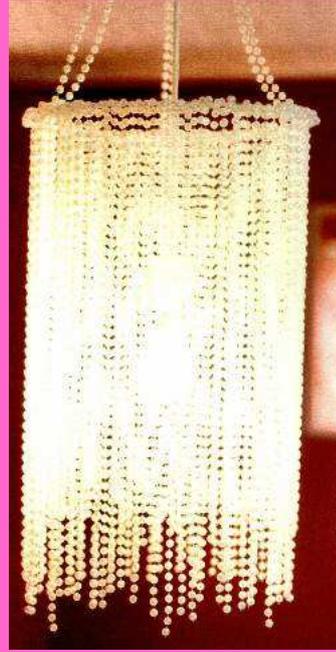


Tea Cup Salad:

Do you have mismatched tea cups and don't know what to do with them? They are ideal for individual starters and salads.

Bead Chandelier:

Thread different lengths of beads and attach to an old lamp shade frame for a completely unique chandelier.



Candlestick Lamp:

Transform a candlestick in a lamp base. Ask an electrician to help you with the wiring.



Rattan Dining:

Paint old rattan chairs and use at your dining room or kitchen table.



Dining Room

Outdoor Seating



Apple Decor:

Tie colourful ribbons around apples and hang them with crystals from a tree, or the patio roof.



Ambience Fire:

Fill tin buckets with charcoal, light and transform your outside party. Keep kids and pets away and remember the buckets will be very hot.



Pallet Table:

Buy wooden pallets (tiling stores), paint, top with a pretty cloth and you have an outside table.



Hay Bale Table:

Decorate a bale of hay (horse farms/farmers) with a table runner. Use wooden pallets topped with a comfy cushion as seating and enjoy your outdoor space.