

Perfect Bouquet DIY

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During the dreary winter months, nothing brightens a room faster than a beautiful bouquet. Most bouquets can be made from items around your house and yard. Expense can be minimal but the impact on your room can be massive.

Look around your household items. Even old wine bottles, drinking glasses or mugs make the perfect vase with a personal touch. The first step after making sure your vessel is clean is to “green” it. This process is exactly what it sounds like: You need to have a nice base of greens so the bouquet doesn’t look skimpy. To do this, go outside and trim a few pine boughs. White pine, with their fluffy needles, makes the perfect base for your flowers.

It’s time to head to your local florist to pick up a few flowers. If you want to go with flowers that will last for weeks, don’t choose roses since they have a fairly short life span. Mums and daisy pomps will give you the longest life span, as will carnations and alstroemeria. For the biggest pop with the least amount of cost, get a few large spider mums and add in a few stalks of alstroemeria. Don’t forget your filler flowers, such as white limonium or baby’s breath, to bring it all together.

Once you’ve purchased your flowers, arrange them in your vase with varying heights. The flowers should just float above your pines. It’s time to head back outside to gather a few more items: Pinecones can be wired to create a nice accent, and either fresh or fake berries can give a splash of color.

Tie a pretty ribbon around your “vase” or add some raffia or jute for a nice country look to it, and voila! You’ve created the perfect bouquet.