

Halloween Style

Creating A “Spooktacular” Halloween With Flowers

(NAPSA)—Whether you are playing host to a swarm of trick-or-treaters or are looking for decorating ideas that reflect the colors of the seasons, you can do it with flowers.

“Fall is such a great time to add flowers to your home’s decor,” said Jill Slater, flower designer for www.flowerpossibilities.com. “The rich colors and whimsical design options are not only great inspiration, but also create instant pizzazz.”

Slater offers the following flower recipe for fall magic:

Pirate Pumpkin

Materials:

- One 7-inch pumpkin (faux or real)
- One brick floral foam
- One pirate eye patch and hat
- One steak knife for pirate’s mouth and sculpting
- One large bunch (about 50 stems) bear grass
- Two stems orange pincushion protea
- Three stems green leucadendron
- Two stems orange gerbera daisies
- 10 greening pins or three pieces 27-gauge (12-inch long) straight wires
- Floral clippers, floral food/preservative
- Knife and spoon for cutting and scooping out pumpkin
- Black permanent marker

Directions:

1. Soak the floral foam, for at least 30 minutes, in water that has been treated with flower food/preservative.

2. Cut and scoop out the pumpkin.



Many feel that the rich colors of the season can make the fall an excellent time to add flowers to a home’s decor.

3. With permanent marker, draw eye and nose of Pirate Pumpkin.

4. Insert the floral foam into the pumpkin. With steak knife, shape the foam coming out of the pumpkin into a cone/Christmas tree shape.

5. Begin wrapping the bear grass around the foam, using the greening pins to hold the bear grass in place. (If using straight wire, cut the wire into 3-inch lengths; bend in half and use as bobby pins.)

6. Place and pin (use greening pins or straight wire) pirate patch and hat on pirate and begin inserting flowers, leucadendron to one side and protea and gerbera daisies on the other.

7. Finally, insert the steak knife in the mouth position.

To learn more, visit the Web site at www.flowerpossibilities.com.