

CRAFTY IDEAS

Brighten Up The Long Winter Months With These Three Simple DIY Projects

(NAPSA)—The winter season is here and with it brings cooler temperatures and shorter days. For many of us, winter means spending less time outdoors and more time inside with family and entertaining friends. To make the winter months more enjoyable for everyone in your home, try these DIY projects that will add subtle character and help brighten up the gray days ahead:

Warm Decor: Your front door isn't the only place for a wreath during the winter months. Add a little bit of cheer and warmth to your home by hanging a winter-inspired wreath on your mantel, or in an unexpected place like above your couch or over a large, decorative mirror.

•What You'll Need: Krylon® Glitter Blast™ in Diamond Dust, Krylon® Glitter Blast™ Clear Sealer, a hot glue gun, a Styrofoam wreath, pinecones, dried cranberries and three faux cardinals.

•What You'll Do: First, coat the pinecones with Krylon® Glitter Blast™ in Diamond Dust. This spray paint creates a sparkling glitter finish that makes ordinary objects more festive. Wait 20 minutes for the paint to dry and then coat the pinecones with Krylon® Glitter Blast™ Clear Sealer. The sealer will help protect the pinecones and preserve the sparkle and hue of the paint. Once the sealer is dry, hot glue the pinecones, dried cranberries and faux cardinals to the Styrofoam wreath. Lastly, hang the wreath for all to admire.

Bring the Outdoors In: Adding natural touches throughout your home can bring tranquility and an earthy feel to your living space. From shells to antlers to florals, natural elements are subtle pieces that can bring a casual comfort to your home. Try this enchanted forest arrangement to bring the essence of the outdoors into your home.

•What You'll Need: Krylon® Chalky Finish Paint in Misty Gray, tall glass vase and a bushel of branches.



Make your home cozy and festive this winter with DIY decor ideas from Krylon.

•What You'll Do: First, spray the branches with Krylon® Chalky Finish Paint in Misty Gray to give them an ultra-matte distressed finish and earthy look. Once the branches dry, place them in the vase to create a forest inspired arrangement.

Light up the Room: Nothing is more comforting than a cozy fire and a warm wool blanket. Bring those toasty elements into your home with a set of DIY antiqued votive candle holders. They will create a beautiful and peaceful winter ambience as the days become shorter and the longer nights set in.

•What You'll Need: Krylon® Sea Glass Finish paint in Ice, three glass votive candle holders (two small, one larger), newspaper and three LED candles.

•What You'll Do: First, cover the top of the candle holders with newspaper. Next, spray the outside of the candle holder with a light coating of Sea Glass Finish spray paint. Wait a few minutes for the paint to dry and then cover with a second coat of paint to achieve a smooth, powdery finish. This paint will give your glass items a beautiful, sophisticated look with a semi-translucent frosted finish that allows light to filter through. Once dry, place the LED candles in the votive holder for a warm holiday glow.

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