

Fall Decor Ideas



Autumn in Simsbury, Connecticut

Though I am not ready to give up on summer yet, I feel I could easily welcome cooler Fall temperatures. It doesn't get Fall-like here in the Valley of the Sun until late October. We seem to be hotter now with all the new growth and development, which is unfortunate. I recall cooler weather in mid-September when I first moved here. Fall decor is on the store shelves and typically, by the time I am ready to decorate everything is gone.

Front Porch decor



So today I would like to share some inspiration as we dream about apples, sweaters and falling leaves. The front porch is always a fun place to decorate and the wreath is the first item that goes up. Since our front door is wider than a standard size, our larger wreath is an investment. As a result, I store them carefully year to year. I love the rich fall colors and surprisingly, they do work with my light blue front door.



Fall wreath using natural grasses

Or you can make a wreath using some natural materials from nature. To see my blog post on this, please click [here](#).



Adding fall plants like wild grasses or coleus creates an autumn tapestry of textures and shades.

Pillows and Blankets



Wool blanket and orange pillow

Pillows and blankets are an easy way to bump up your fall theme. This is a welcoming spot by the front door to sit and just relax. You can find great pillows on Etsy or Amazon [here](#). And I love [this blanket](#) from Amazon too.

Fall DIY



DIY fall trees

Making fall trees (see post [here](#)) is a simple DIY utilizing all the fall foliage that can be found at Michaels or Hobby Lobby. Keep some of your outdoor branches and with a drill and glue gun you are good to go!



Freshly cut maple branches

Fresh cut branches with colorful autumn leaves in a large glass vessel can provide an instant change in season. Since we don't really have these lovely deciduous trees here in Phoenix, I cut branches on our trip to the mountains each October.

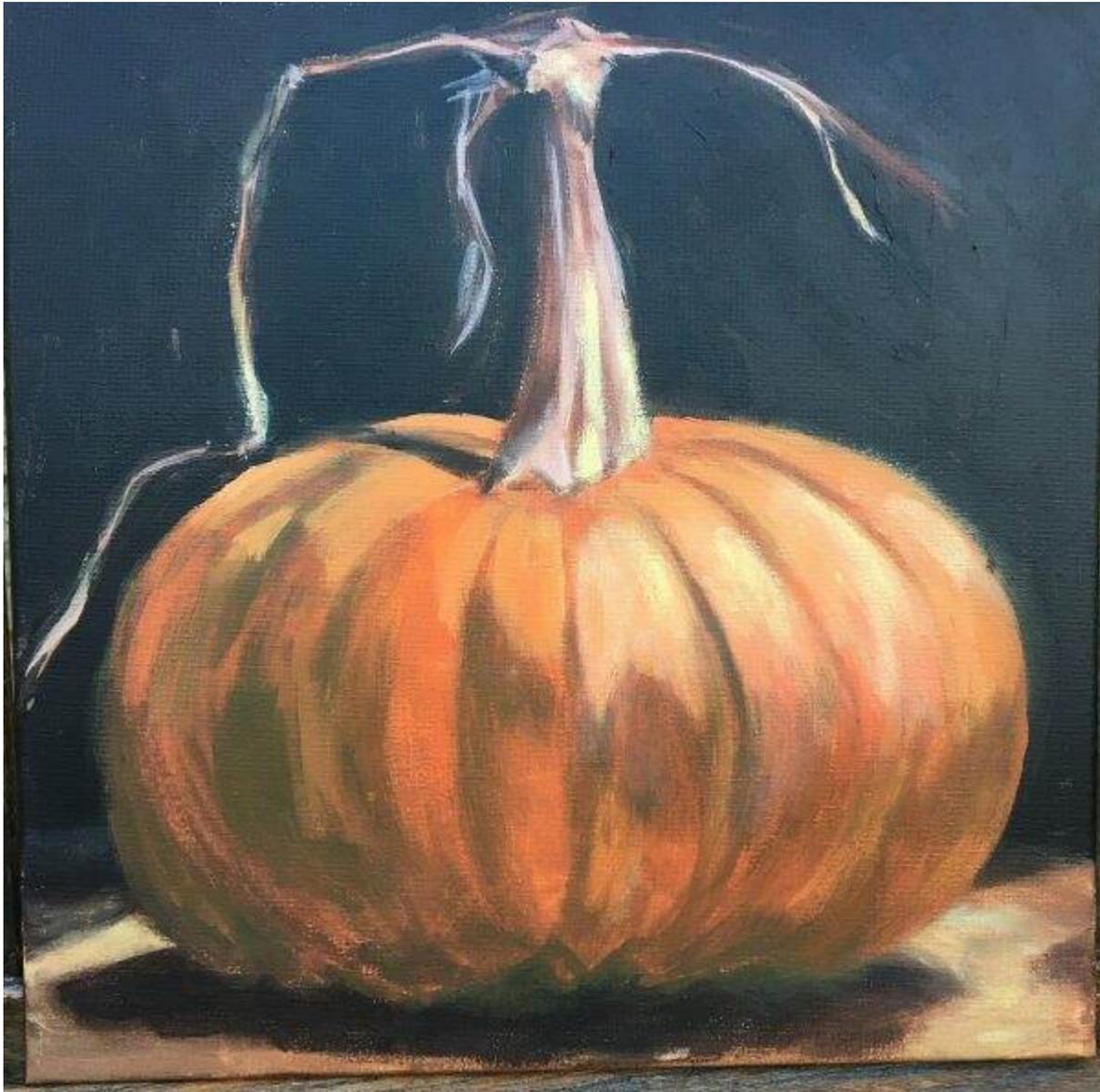
Accessories



Spicy Apple candle by Rosy Rings

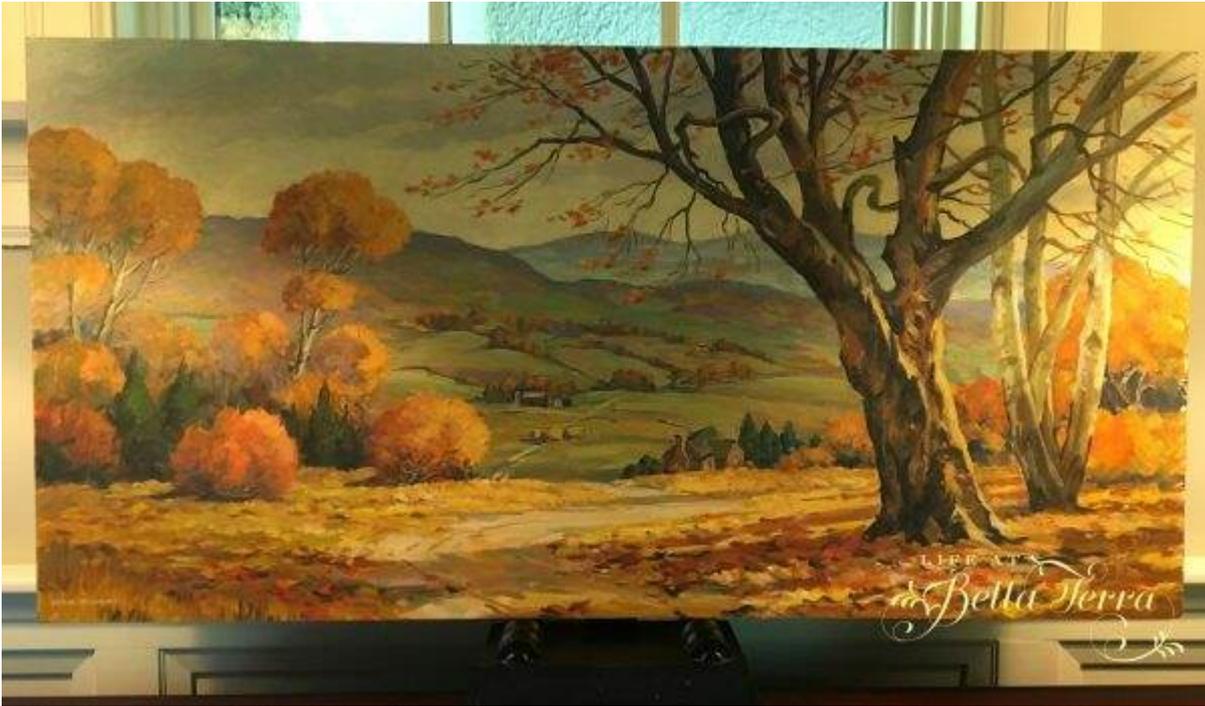
A few years ago, I discovered these amazing candles by Rosy Rings. They are works of art~beautiful to look at and smell

great too. This autumn candle is Spicy Apple and you can see the slices of apple, cinnamon sticks, leaves and berries in the wax. You need one, right? See it [here](#).



Painting by me

Adding a few pieces of seasonal art brings new color to any room. Here is a painting I did a few years back...my first pumpkin!



A California autumn by Lynn Winans (1897-1982)

Decorating Shelves

I love adding a bit of fall decor to each room, but one of my favorite spots is the antique Hepplewhite secretary from the late 1700s which sits in our living room. From my Johnson & Johnson plates to the pheasant soup tureen, everything about this vignette screams autumn.



Last year I made fabric pumpkins, to replace the ones damaged by creepy bugs. This DIY is really easy and if you can get

your hands on real pumpkin stems, then the possibilities are endless.



We have a huge pine tree in our front yard and for the first time it is dropping big, gorgeous pinecones. I cannot wait to figure out what I am going to do with this pretty gifts from nature.



Bleaching pinecones

Last year I did bleach pinecones and the results are a bit different but perfect for a more monochromatic theme. And you can use them into the Christmas holiday too. See that project [here](#).

Well hopefully I have your fall decor juices going. I think my focus this year will be on making some of the mantels truly spectacular.

Do you have a favorite fall theme or color? Are you more traditional in the shades of oranges, reds and browns? Please share any fun projects that you are doing.

Happy Wednesday!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary".

I always appreciate it when you share my pins on Pinterest. Thank you!

