



ARRANGE
AWAY

Inspiration is in full bloom with these florist-shop-ready arrangements.

Floral Arrangements 101

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In need of a color scheme? Try sticking to one corner of the color palette. Choose flowers in a primary color (like yellow), one of its tertiary colors (yellow-orange) and then add in a little white for good measure. **Tip:** Round-shaped blooms like ours go together beautifully.



FROM THE COVER:

Add a twist of citrus to arrangements by sticking mini faux fruits onto stems and inserting them just like flowers.

THE LOWDOWN

Every great arrangement starts with a proper base.

And in this case, that means floral foam. How to: Place one foam block in middle of container, cut up second block to fill in spaces around it, and then cover foam with blanket of moss.



Give a clustered, low-profile arrangement like this one a sense of movement by adding long, daintier stems to the outside edges.



PRESENTLY SURPRISED

We think a mini bouquet is the loveliest thank-you gift of all. Each one just takes a few blooms (one large, one small, one tall), a mix of greenery and a few wraps around the middle with floral tape. Place the arrangements in glass-bead-filled vases, tie on a tag, and thank away!



PICK PERFECT

Serious floral enthusiasts, we've got a tool for you. It's called a stemmer machine and in (almost) the blink of an eye, it wraps steel picks around floral stems. This'll make them sturdier and easier to stick into floral foam. Bonus: It works with fresh flowers too!

LIFE LIKE

Fill a vase with clear, hard-drying resin and you not only get the look of water for your faux-flower arrangement, but the stability of floral foam as well. Can you say win-win? Featured florals: peonies, ranunculus, dahlias, roses and lamb's ear.



BETTER HALF

While the blooms on this arrangement are looking skyward (just insert long stems vertically into floral foam), you can't help but notice its texture-packed base. Check out the step-by-step instructions below for the DIY details.



SUPPLIES

To create this base, you'll need a grapevine garland, wire cutters, black wire, and a basket.

STEP 1

Wrap the grapevine garland around your basket, securing it with wire at various points through the basket's slits. **Tip:** Dark wire blends in best with the garland.

STEP 2

Continue wrapping your garland until the entire basket is covered. **Tip:** Incorporate long stems or small blossoms into the garland to echo the look of the arrangement.



BOWLED OVER

A wildflower-esque arrangement in a wide-mouthed container using no floral foam? It might sound like an impossibility, but we'll show you just how easy it can be in this quick step-by-step.



1 Stretch clear floral bowl tape across mouth of container, forming grid pattern. Then wrap tape around circumference to secure edges down.



2 Cut greenery to varying lengths and insert into tape-grid openings to create base.



3 Place largest blooms first, angling them horizontally and close to container, and then add progressively smaller flowers.



4 Fill out arrangement with longer-stemmed blooms and sprays in contrasting colors.



GARDEN VARIETY

Strike a balance between sophisticated and fun with these two tricks: First, choose lots of different sizes and textures of flowers in the same color. Then, when arranging, have longer stems extend out to create an effortlessly elegant arch shape.



FULL SPECTRUM

When you can't choose a focal color, choose them all! 1. Secure steel ring to container (filled with foam) using hot glue and floral pins. 2. Mark on ring where each new color will begin to ensure adequate space. 3. Attach flowers with hot glue, floral tape or wire, pointing majority of heads in same direction to create flow.





PARDON THE REACH

Get dramatic horizontal extensions on any arrangement by building mini-orchid and blossom branches out from the sides of your bouquet. And to add even more interest, construct it all in a birch planter or other unique container available in our Floral Department.

WILD THINGS

We plucked this look from a fairytale's forest floor, and it all starts with a rustic container wrapped with jute and filled with floral foam. Vines and dandelion puffs make up the tallest layer, followed by shorter floral picks, greenery stems and a mossy ground covering to finish.



TALL ORDER

When pale-green hydrangea complements deep-purple ranunculus and hearty sprigs of eucalyptus anchor towering delphinium stems, you get one unexpectedly striking bouquet.

Plan of action: Build base and one side with greens first. Then go in with longer purple stems.



Continue the green theme down the vase with a long-tailed, linen bow.