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Creating a beautiful home without leaving your house



Photo provided

By Amanda Eck

Your home is supposed to be a sanctuary, but in these uncharted times it may feel anything but peaceful. Sheltering in place has been both a wonderful time of being with my family (non-stop) but also a stressful time. We are all learning to navigate this new norm and the spaces we live in can make a huge impact on our well-being. That's why I've pulled together some of my favorite tips and tricks to help you create a beautiful home without ever having to leave the house.

Rethink your space

Rethinking the layout of your space can make a huge impact in your environment. Consider moving furniture toward windows for more natural light.

Create an intimate reading space in the corner of a room or move a small desk into the bedroom for a quiet workspace.

Get organized

Start with a clean slate. Remove papers, toys, shoes, or any other miscellaneous items that do not belong in the room. Use baskets and bins to keep things organized.

If you are currently working from your

dining room table, consider using a plastic bin or basket that you can store your laptop, papers, and such when you are done with your work. This works great for kiddos homeschooling work as well.

Edit, Edit, Edit

Go through your space deciding on what can stay and what needs to go. Eliminate items that are cluttering the space or have no use.

Moving items to another room can bring new life and energy to the space. Try switching out lamps and art for a quick refresh.

Shop your house

I like to cull accessories I have in various rooms and place them on my dining room table. Then I "shop" what I found to create new vignettes on bookshelves, side tables, and my coffee table.

Moving your rugs around is also a great way to create a new look in your space.

Bring the outdoors in

Nothing brings more life into your home like fresh flowers or greenery. Why not grab your clippers and head outdoors for some fresh sprigs. Your clippings do not necessarily need to be of the flowering kind; I love the simplicity of something green. A few clippings from a nearby shrub are perfect.

Create Moments

I love creating what I like to call "moments" in my home. It could be a little vignette of your favorite pieces you've collected on your travels. Or a tray in your bathroom filled with bath bubbles or soaps and a small candle. Or maybe it's a corner on your kitchen counter that is your coffee station. Whatever it is, make it pretty, so that it brings a smile to your face when you walk past it.

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City	Last reported	Lowest amount	Highest amount
LAFAYETTE	10	\$815,000	\$2,300,000
MORAGA	4	\$329,000	\$2,263,000
ORINDA	5	\$1,010,000	\$1,700,000

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LAFAYETTE

- 1173 Brown Avenue, \$1,791,000, 4 Bdrms, 4466 SqFt, 1990 YrBlt, 04-29-20,
 Previous Sale: \$815,000, 08-01-92
 3955 Canyon Road, \$1,905,000, 3 Bdrms, 2778 SqFt, 1963 YrBlt, 04-20-20,
 Previous Sale: \$1,175,000, 09-21-12
 980 Condit Road, \$1,785,000, 4 Bdrms, 1976 SqFt, 1957 YrBlt, 04-27-20,
 Previous Sale: \$1,125,000, 04-30-19
 3271 Elvia Street, \$1,885,000, 5 Bdrms, 4029 SqFt, 1988 YrBlt, 05-01-20,
 Previous Sale: \$800,000, 06-04-99
 3711 Highland Court, \$1,200,000, 3 Bdrms, 1731 SqFt, 1952 YrBlt, 04-24-20
 974 Janet Lane, \$1,300,000, 3 Bdrms, 1473 SqFt, 1951 YrBlt, 04-24-20,
 Previous Sale: \$1,040,000, 10-18-13
 3221 Lucas Circle, \$2,300,000, 4 Bdrms, 3117 SqFt, 1964 YrBlt, 04-27-20,
 Previous Sale: \$220,000, 01-01-86
 3260 Marlene Drive, \$815,000, 3 Bdrms, 1449 SqFt, 1972 YrBlt, 04-21-20,
 Previous Sale: \$585,000, 06-16-15
 9 Northridge Lane, \$1,790,000, 2 Bdrms, 4115 SqFt, 1994 YrBlt, 04-29-20
 3288 Sweet Drive, \$910,000, 3 Bdrms, 1150 SqFt, 1950 YrBlt, 04-28-20

MORAGA

- 236 Calle La Montana, \$1,550,000, 4 Bdrms, 1942 SqFt, 1974 YrBlt, 04-28-20,
 Previous Sale: \$1,200,000, 03-18-15
 2133 Donald Drive #19, \$329,000, 1 Bdrms, 560 SqFt, 1963 YrBlt, 04-24-20
 14 Silvia Court, \$1,305,000, 4 Bdrms, 2170 SqFt, 1967 YrBlt, 04-24-20
 230 Sonora Road, \$2,263,000, 4 Bdrms, 4435 SqFt, 2018 YrBlt, 04-29-20

ORINDA

- 2 Irving Lane, \$1,320,000, 3 Bdrms, 1601 SqFt, 1952 YrBlt, 04-27-20,
 Previous Sale: \$780,000, 09-23-11
 204 La Espiral, \$1,700,000, 3 Bdrms, 2773 SqFt, 1942 YrBlt, 04-23-20,
 Previous Sale: \$1,195,000, 07-12-10
 8 Rose Lane, \$1,015,500, 3 Bdrms, 1630 SqFt, 1938 YrBlt, 04-22-20
 10 Vista Del Orinda, \$1,010,000, 4 Bdrms, 2596 SqFt, 1950 YrBlt, 04-23-20,
 Previous Sale: \$1,335,000, 08-16-17
 15 Warford Terrace, \$1,350,000, 4 Bdrms, 1830 SqFt, 1958 YrBlt, 04-22-20,
 Previous Sale: \$455,000, 07-07-98

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Orindawoods, Orinda



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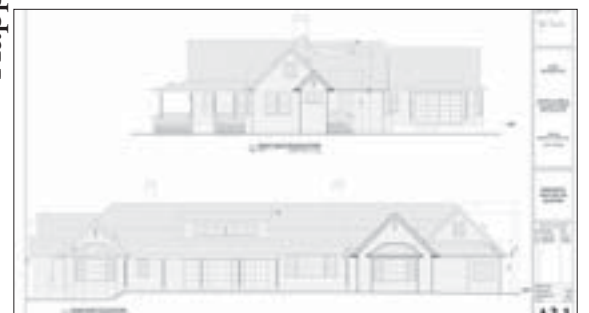
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Digging Deep with Goddess Gardener, Cynthia Brian

Victory Gardens 3.0



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Photos Cynthia Brian

By Cynthia Brian

"In every adversity there lies the seed of an equivalent advantage. In every defeat is a lesson showing you how to win the victory next time." – Robert Collier, Writer and Publisher

In March 1917, a month before the United States entered World War I, Americans across our lands were asked to plant produce to help feed the Allies fighting in Europe. It wasn't only farmers who were solicited to start planting. President Woodrow Wilson declared that "food will win the war," as he encouraged city folks to plant in vacant lots, fields, parks and pots. So began the "war garden" to sow seeds of victory.

During World War II, food shortages prevailed once again. Victory Gardens sprouted throughout America, Europe, Canada, and Australia supplying over 33% of the necessary food for our country. Eleanor Roosevelt even dug up part of the White House lawn to plant a vegetable garden. Turnips, tomatoes, lettuce, peas, beets, beans, cabbages, carrots, squash, onions, potatoes, and many other vegetables were easy to grow and preserve by canning for the winter months. By 1943 there were approximately 18 million Victory gardens

throughout the United States, 12 million of them in cities, and 6 million in rural areas.

Today we face major adversities from different kinds of conflicts. The COVID-19 pandemic combined with racial civil unrest throughout our cities, our country, and our world have the potential to increase food scarcity and shortages. We have already witnessed throngs of people emptying grocery store shelves of staples and canned goods. It is easier than ever to grow our own food no matter what our space limitations. If you have a yard, you can choose a small area to plant the vegetables, fruits, and herbs that you love. If you only have a porch or balcony, use pots to grow tomatoes, lettuces, basil, parsley and peppers. According to the U.S.D.A., 15% of the world's food supply is now grown in cities. Ready to get started?

FIRST

Only five things are needed to grow your Victory Garden 3.0:

1. A patch of land, raised bed, or pots that are two gallons or larger
2. Bags of high-quality garden soil
3. Healthy plants
4. Mulch

5. Water

SECOND

1. Find an area that will get at least six hours of sunlight per day.
2. If you are working a patch or raised bed, pull out any weeds and prepare the ground by adding new garden soil. If using pots, wash the pots, make certain there is a drainage hole at the bottom, add a few pebbles, or cracked pottery to help with drainage and fill the pots with your purchased soil. Vegetables need organic matter including compost or manure to thrive because the organic matter decomposes the essential nutrients of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium to enrich the roots.
3. Buy healthy plants from your local nursery or garden center. Check for vibrant green leaves. Look for any insect or snail infestation. Plant according to instructions.
4. Top with peat moss or other mulch. Peat moss adds aeration, retains moisture, and reduce the leaching of the nutrients. It is a great mulch and can also increase the efficiency in a compost pile.
5. Water thoroughly and maintain moisture while growing.

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Creating a beautiful home without leaving your house

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Go Shopping

And when you need some retail therapy, here are some of my favorite online resources:

- Horchow
- Perigold
- One Kings Lane
- Serena & Lily
- FrontGate
- Minted (great art resource)
- KathyKuo Home
- Etsy
- Little Design Co.

Hopefully these tips have given you some ideas and inspiration to create a space of peace within your own four walls. Stay safe friends!



Photos provided



As the Owner and Principal Designer of Lamorinda-based Amanda Carol Interiors, Amanda Eck believes your home's interior should be both approachable and well-appointed. She often asserts, "Beauty is a necessity."

With a distinct sense of style that mixes contemporary and classic design she fashions spaces that are both elegant and inviting. Her design aesthetic is inspired by anything visual but especially fashion, architecture and art.

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Cynthia Brian's Gardening Guide for June

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Buy seedlings of lettuce and tomatoes for swifter growing.

PLANT tomatoes, peppers, lettuces, eggplants, arugula, cucumbers, beans, corn and pumpkins. Herbs to plant now for summer harvesting are basil, parsley and cilantro.

STAKE or provide a wire cage to support tomatoes so the fruit won't touch the soil and rot.

APPLY snail bait to newly planted seedlings and wherever you witness slugs or snails.

FERTILIZE trees, shrubs, and ground covers before the summer heat.

SPRAY crape myrtles to prevent powdery mildew with a natural fungicide such as neem oil extract, jojoba oil, or potassium bicarbonate.

CHECK irrigation systems and readjust sprinkler heads as needed.

TACKLE aphids with ladybugs or for a small infestation, spray with a mixture of water and dish detergent.

CUT dead canes of hydrangeas to the ground (anything without a green bud on it). Don't prune hydrangeas in spring or fall or the flowering buds will be cut off.

BUY a shorter variety or move a too tall hydrangea as they cannot be pruned to reduce height. Hydrangeas always replace their height. If a hydrangea is drooping on a hot day, it doesn't need water. It will rebound as the evening cools. Hydrangeas grow great in containers.

ADD Sulphur or aluminum sulfate to acidic soil to get blue hydrangeas. Rusty nails or copper do not work.

TREAT both upper and lower leaves of roses with organic Sulphur for fungus problems including black spot, rust and powdery mildew.

PRUNE azaleas immediately after spring flowering.

PULL out the dried fronds of spring bulbs. If a bulb comes out with the leaves, cut off the dried foliage and either replant the bulb in a new place immediately or put in a dark, cool space to replant in the fall.

CELEBRATE your gardening dad on Father's Day by buying a copy of "Growing with the Goddess Gardener" or "Chicken Soup for the Gardener's Soul" at <https://www.CynthiaBrian.com/online-store>.

CARE for your lawn by raking leaves, twigs and dead grass. Pull the weeds including dandelions, chickweed, bittercress and henbit. Aerate and leave the



Potato vine and purple trumpet vine are happy companions.

plugs on the grass. Cover bare patches by over-seeding with Pearl's Premium grass seed. Visit www.Pearlspremium.com

Water early in the morning and fertilize once more before the heat of summer. When mowing, never cut off more than 1/3 and leave grass clippings on the lawn at least every two times you mow.

HARVEST cherries, lemons, tangelos, loquats and tangerines.

FEED your family and friends in body, mind, and spirit by planting a Victory Garden 3.0.

Happy Gardening. Happy Growing. Happy Father's Day.



Tomatoes can be planted in large pots or even buckets. Add basil for extra flavor.



A raised bed filled with cabbages, arugula, and Brussel sprouts.

Digging Deep with Goddess Gardener, Cynthia Brian

Victory Gardens 3.0

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Before planting your Victory Garden 3.0, research the maturity date for the crops you wish to grow as harvest dates vary greatly. If you plant from seeds, you'll have lettuce and radishes within two weeks. If you are planting zucchini or corn, the time frame is longer, perhaps 100 days. Citrus, apples, and peaches can be planted in large containers.

We are living through a frightening, complicated international crisis. If we have learned any lesson from history, it is that we can win the victory when we work together with empathy, caring, and intelligence. Growing even a portion of our own food will help us be healthier while creating a more sustainable lifestyle. We'll get exercise, sunshine, fresh air, and have fun growing with

our families. Plus, butterflies, bees, and birds will pollinate and entertain as our garden reduces stress and offers soul fulfillment. Don't forget to plant some "pretties" like Asiatic lilies, gazanias, trumpet vine and

hydrangeas. Annual and perennial flowers add fragrance, structure and beauty to our lives.

Stay safe. Stay healthy. Plant your Victory Garden 3.0 today!



Cynthia Brian relishes these magenta hydrangeas.

Cynthia Brian, The Goddess Gardener, is available for hire to help you prepare for your spring garden. Raised in the vineyards of Napa County, Cynthia is a New York Times best-selling author, actor, radio personality, speaker, media and writing coach, as well as the Founder and Executive Director of Be the Star You Are!® 501 c3. Tune into Cynthia's StarStyle® Radio Broadcast at www.StarStyleRadio.com. Buy copies of her best-selling books, including, *Chicken Soup for the Gardener's Soul*, *Growing with the Goddess Gardener*, and *Be the Star You Are! Millennials to Boomers* at www.cynthiabrian.com/online-store. Cynthia is available for virtual writing projects, garden consults, and inspirational lectures. Cynthia@GoddessGardener.com www.GoddessGardener.com

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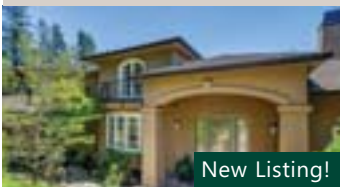
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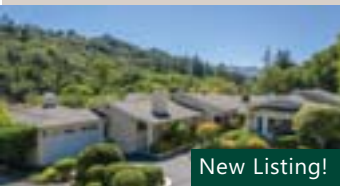


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