



Succulent Plant Arrangements



Your pack will come with a terracotta pot, soil, plants and stones for decoration.

- **Before you begin:**

- Feel free to decorate your pot with colored Sharpie Markers or Paint before you put your plants in.
- Take off the tape from the bottom drainage hole. That was there to keep the soil from falling out in transit.
- You will need to find a small dish to set this on to catch water that drains out.
- Figure out where this will live! It will need lots of light & warmth (no draft).

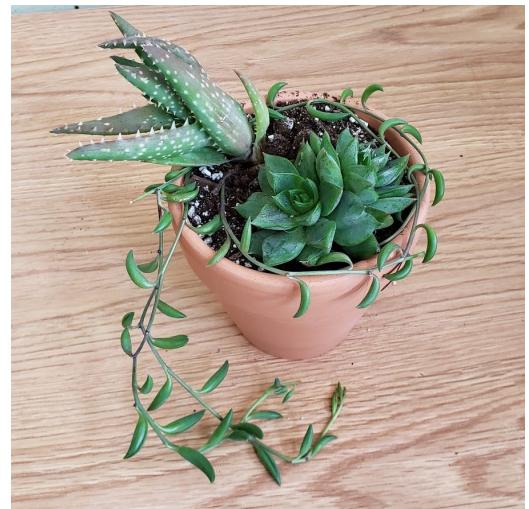
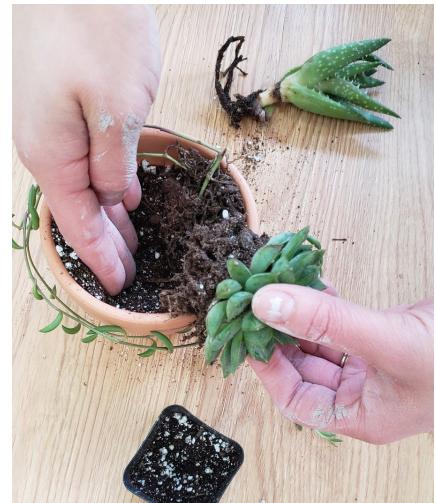
- **Design elements to consider:** A nice arrangement will consider the elements of design (Google that!), and, for this project, that can be simplified to be an arrangement that has “Thrillers, Fillers, and Spillers.” That means plants and stones that catch the eye (thrillers), plants and stones that are low in height or simple in shape to “fill” space, and plants that change the visual height of the arrangement by “spilling” over the



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side or by being tall and lifting the eye upward. Other considerations:

- Leave some space for the plants to grow
- Deliberately leave open space (three plants is usually a good amount).
- **Arrange the plants:** We already picked out plants that look good together. That's half the work! Now you get to play with how they rest in the space and how they relate to each other.
 - Don't take them out just yet. Play a bit with the layout. Too much handling can shock the plants and make it harder for them to adjust to the new home.
 - Avoid equally spacing your plants in a triangle. That tends to lead to a busy arrangement where the eye doesn't have a strong focal point. Consider clustering some plants together with a high one in the back or middle, for example.
 - It always depends on the plants and your taste, so have fun!
- Remove the plants & tuck them in:
 - When taking your plants out of the plastic containers, cradle the whole plant in your palm or gently hold the stem. **Do not hold plants by an individual leaf.** Wiggle the outside of the plastic pot and the plant should lift out easily. Gently shake the soil out. Don't worry if your plant feels wrinkly and flexible, it will perk up when it is watered.
 - Push soil to the side to make a little nest for your plants. Gently place them in and add extra soil to tuck them in.
 - A few other points about the plants:
 - Slightly dehydrated plants are more durable and easier to make arrangements with. The leaves of a fully hydrated or overwatered succulent will pop off with even a gentle touch.





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- It's also ok if your succulent has very few roots. Succulent cuttings can live for months without water and can be slow to root.
- Decorate and Design:
 - Use stones to fill extra space or to prop up tall plants that fall over. This supports them until they have a chance to establish roots in their new home.
 - There are smaller stones that can be used to cover any bare soil.
 - Play with adding dried moss, driftwood, sea glass, shells, found objects and other figurines! Sometimes these extra elements really make a difference!
 - Too many rocks will compact the soil and prevent proper drainage, so keep it to a single layer.

Follow the “Plant Care Directions” and enjoy your new creation!

