

When the weather starts to get colder it's a wonderful time to refresh the home for the season ahead. According to Justine Wilson, Sydney Property Stylist and Founder of Vault Interiors, as winter is traditionally a time for hibernation, rest and recharge, and to enjoy guilt-free time indoors - it's important to cosy up the living quarters of the home. Justine says, "Some key trends I expect to see this winter are the new accent colours of rich plum, warm apricot, burnt orange through to deep green and olive tones throughout the home. Outdoor living spaces will remain popular, while layering, ambient or hygge lighting, and bringing greenery and earthy materials from the outside in will also be key focuses." Justine Wilson's top five trends for winter 2021 include: Each year new winter accent colours come out. This year we are seeing rich plum tones, warm apricot tones, burnt orange, rust tones and deep green and olive tones. These accent colours take a cue from the changing exterior landscape and will help to bring the outside in. Switch out your cushions, throws and accessories to get the look. Look to make your outdoor spaces more useable in the cooler months. Think about free-standing pergolas, large umbrellas, or shade cloths for a little more protection from the elements. Also, winter is a great time to have long cosy nights around a fire pit, you can source wood-burning or gas or ethanol options to suit your property's needs. Plus, add some fun seating like wood stumps or comfy outdoor chairs, and your good to go. Layering is a wonderful styling tool in winter, consider using double rugs, double bed throws, extra cushions and thicker curtains. The more layers and textures you can introduce into your interior the better, as it will help with warmth and also adds to the cosy factor of any space. Faux fur rugs and throws, wool knits and velvets are wonderful styling textures to use in winter. Having nice ambient lighting will help your home feel welcoming and pretty, opt for table lamps with warm globes. Pretty outdoor lanterns with candles or LED candles, and inside use candlesticks or candle votives. Candles will help your home smell great and also look pretty. A big trend is grouping lots of vintage brass candlesticks on a coffee table, mantle or dining table. Mix and match styles of candlesticks for a pretty eclectic look, they can be found easily at charity shops. Adding twinkle fairy lights is also a pretty way to bring soft lighting into your space. As the leaves start to fall outside, it's a nice touch to bring some greenery or earthy materials inside. In winter display seasonal florals or just bunches of greenery to create pretty vignettes or moments on your surfaces. Succulents and eucalypts are great for this time of year, or you can also forage pretty branches from your own garden, or bring in potted plants and create little clusters. For more styling tips go to: www.vaultinteriors.com.au

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