

MOVIE NIGHT





PUMPKIN PATCH POPCORN

- 1/3 cup popcorn kernels
- popcorn salt
- 16 oz. melted orange confectionery coating or Candy Melts*
- 1/4 cup peanut butter
- 12 peanut butter cups, broken into small pieces
- 1 oz. melted dark chocolate
- 1. Pop popcorn kernels and season to taste with popcorn salt. Place into a large mixing bowl, discarding any unpopped kernels.
- 2. Mix peanut butter with melted orange candy coating. If neccessary, reheat slighty in microwave in 10 second bursts, mixing until smooth and pourable.
- 3. Pour over popcorn and toss to coat slightly.
- 4. Add peanut butter cup pieces and continue to toss until evenly distributed.
- 5. Divide in half and spread onto baking sheets lined with parchment paper.
- Drizzle on melted dark chocolate.
- 7. Freeze for 7-9 minutes or refrigerate for 12-15 minutes until the candy coating is set.
- 8. Break into small chunks and serve.





HALLOWEEN AT HOME THIS YEAR

If you can't trick or treat the traditional way due to the pandemic, look for creative ways to celebrate.

You can buy your kid's favorite candy and let them trick-or-treat room to room within your house, or they can walk through the neighborhood to show off their costume and then come home to a special treat.

TIP: A safer way to pass out candy (if it's allowed) is with individual pre-packaged bags.

Or think outside the usual trick or treating and take the party outside this year! As with most entertaining these days, outdoors (and small) is best if you want to throw a Halloween party.

Now is time to get inventive! How about setting up a movie projector and screen outside so kids can watch movies or Zoom on the big screen? Host a marathon of your favorite Halloween movies in your backyard for a few friends. Make sure you set up party tables and chairs so that everyone can maintain social distancing.

Another great idea -- how about a Zoom dance party where your kids and their friends can watch and learn the "Monster Mash" on the big screen in the backyard?

Here's to finding fun, safe ways to celebrate Halloween this year!

HALLOWEEN TRENDS

SPELLS, POTIONS AND GOTH

Bringing in mysterious oddities, strange curiosities and Gothic vibes is on trend this Halloween. Eyeballs, potion bottles, crystal balls mix with black, purple, jewel-toned blues and velvet to make a creepy mystifying statement.

BRIGHT FAMILY FUN

Family friendly fright is always on trend. Friendly ghosts, cute black cats and polka dot and striped pumpkins in bright turquoise, yellow, and orange are sure to make your home the most inviting on the block!

HAUNTED COZY HOUSE

This trend is a hybrid of Harvest and Halloween which is a great way to stretch out the life of your décor! Pumpkins, haunted houses, hay bales and scarecrows are paired with textures of galvanized metal and barn wood to create a cozy but spooky feeling. Colors of black, orange and white add to the traditional feel of the trend.







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HALLOWEEN DECORATING TIPS

- Get batty! Floppy felt bat wings will flutter in the autumn breeze. Start by making a bat shaped cardboard template. Draw the bat outline on black felt and then cut out the shapes for the bat bodies and heads. Find double sided tape that won't pull the paint off your house or simply tie the bats to your porch railings. Instant décor!
- Shop your house and the grocery store for Halloween decor. Grab woven baskets and pile in your favorite fall finds like funky gourds and mini pumpkins.

 Grouped together they make more of an impact!
- Stock up on battery operated lights for easy decorating. Realistic looking pillar candles look super spooky when placed in large groups on your front porch or leading up a staircase. Bonus points if you get the kind that flicker like the real thing.
- Bring those fan-favorite fall flowers like mums inside. Wrap store bought plants in plain brown wrapper or pop it in a wicker basket to instantly elevate your bloom style.