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September 2022, Moodboard of the Month

Intro

Can you believe it's September already?! I'm the biggest fan of the 'ber months. I may live in Florida, but for me, Fall is a mindset. You need to create your own sense of cozy when it's over 100-degrees outside!

When it comes to design, I get asked most about outdoor spaces. Maybe it's because the internet fell in love with [our deck at our Airbnb](#), or simply because...they can be tough to design! Where do you start with something nature makes so hard to change, and how do you source pieces that stand up to the weather?!

So, I decided to take inspiration from my Airbnb, only we are going to the front of the house - the porch! I love a Fall porch, and when your porch is under cover, you can get away with so much more furniture and decor. Also, what says "Welcome Fall" more than a rusty colored and tonal entry to your home.

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Rusty colored and cozy, a tonal porch to welcome Fall feels high-end and like the perfect way to welcome the new season into your home!

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I appreciate you being part of my community more than you know.

With cat love and a cozy pillow,

Jessica Lyn Smith

The Moodboard



The layout

Let's talk tonal! It's a word/trend/design element I am INTO lately. It's basically when you oversaturate a space with one color. That's it. Some may call it mono-chromatic but that word sounds so bland to me.

I designed this porch being a little inspired by my own porches, but with you in mind. Not every porch has a centered front door allowing symmetry, so I really played with an asymmetrical layout here.

This gives you two vignettes of a fall front porch that you could really place anywhere on your porch. For example, the front door in our current home is far left-aligned. But we do have about 4 feet of railing before the doorway. So, I could even turn the bench you see in the design at a 90-degree angle and place it perpendicular to the door instead of alongside it on the same wall. That make sense?

Basically, take these elements if you wish and have some fun with it.

I am very excited about many of the pieces I've used here. They come from some of my favorite fall collections ever by some of my favorite designers, and I hope I get to see them in some of your homes!

Exact products, pictured

- 2 Rust planters, [Lulu and Georgia](#)
- Bench, [Lulu and Georgia](#)
- Side table, [Anthropologie](#)
- 2'x3' Rug, [Anthropologie](#)
- Doormat, [West Elm](#)
- Copper watering can, [Williams Sonoma](#)
- Preserved Amaranthus, [Etsy](#) - STYLE TIP: I love mixing real plants with preserved, or even faux! When it comes to fun colors you'll find in a fall color palette, why not?! Try mixing a faux spray or step into your mums arrangement this year.
- Woven pillow in Rust, [Target](#)
- Corduroy pillow in Chestnut, [Target](#)
- Vase, [Target](#)

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- Blanket, [Parachute Home](#)
- Wicker pumpkin, [Target](#)
- Copper garden torch, [Amazon](#)
- Copper sconce, [Amazon](#)
- Mug, [Target](#)
- Twig stem, [Michaels](#)

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- Rust planter, [Walmart](#)



- Rug, [Esty](#)



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- Doormat, [Target](#)



- Bench, [Target](#)



- Drink table - STYLE TIP: Did you know you can create your own rust finish? There are chemical tricks out there you can use to tarnish metal faster...but I'm talking about a good ol' paint job. I've done it quite a few times, and was super pleased with [my rust finish on this old bowl](#)! You can often find cocktail tables with this similar shape at Home Goods or Marshalls for \$40!



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- Blanket, [Pier 1](#)

- Copper Sconce, [Amazon](#)



- Copper torch, [Amazon](#) - Another STYLE TIP - Do the rusty/coppery finish on these, too ;) Bonus if you already have some laying around!

– Thank you for downloading our first monthly moodboard! I'd love to hear what you thought of this experience. Feel free to [send me a note](#) with any thoughts or feedback you have so I can improve the downloadable guides I create in the future. –