# How to Integrate the Cottagecore Aesthetic Trend in Your Home?



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If you've been scrolling through Instagram home decor trends and all you can see is cottage gardens, farmhouse sinks, and homemade kombucha, you must be wondering: What's all the fuss really about?

Here's the dirty secret: The cottagecore home decor is *really* trending.

And given your age-old romance with the English countryside (and laid-back slice-of-life anime characters like Sakamoto), it is probably time you keep up with the trend too!

## **But Hang on, What's Cottagecore Again?**

Now, before you mistake cottagecore with the forlorn image of your grandma picking up flowers in the village shrubbery, let's assure you that it's way more than that.

Think colorful textiles, elaborate gardens, rustic interiors, and the charms of simple living. Add to that the excitement of whimsical rendezvous and a DIY approach to daily chores. No offense to all other grandmas, but cottagecore is more like Miss Marple solving crimes in a cozy Agatha Christie neighborhood!

Now, if you're impressed with this lifestyle and feel like adopting this trend without traveling all the way to Devon County, well, we've got you covered!

# **Key Elements of the Cottagecore Design That You Can Incorporate**

Now then, while adopting these elements, you don't have to turn your house into an immaculate period film set for shooting *Downtown Abbey*. That's because, first of all, the Crawleys have already got their manor and gardens (duh!) but also that cottagecore, at its heart, is a celebration of life and utility. So use these tips, embrace the clutter, and make your house feel lived-in.

#### The Outdoors



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Try and recall what catches your eye the most whenever an episode of *Pride and Prejudice* airs on Netflix (more than the iconic Mr. Darcy, of course). Invariably, it's the amazing countryside scenery and the breathtaking outdoors that completely embodies the cottagecore vibe.

So when it comes to adopting this lifestyle, the first thing you should do is simply open your doors and invite nature. <u>Natural elements</u> like flower bouquets, indoor plants, and botanical accents can be really helpful in connecting with the organic aspect of the decor. And the best part: all of it is probably sitting in your yard, absolutely free!

#### **Organic Textiles**



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Cottagecore decor is all about staying as natural and traditional as possible. So, when it comes to picking the right <u>linen</u> for your household, go retro and think about all the fabrics that were used in the old days, such as cotton, quilts, and basic linens. Stay away from shiny fabrics like velvet and polyester that take away from the traditional aesthetic of the place.

#### **Sheer Curtains**



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Ah! Is there anything more peaceful than sipping tea and watching the gentle rustlings of the window curtains caught in the evening breeze?

We have already seen how the outdoors can affect the cottagecore vibe in your house. But you can go a notch further and create the right 'mood' for the cottage lifestyle by using sheer <u>window coverings</u>. The light curtains will only accentuate the natural elements of the sun and the breeze. Pro tip: Curl up with a classic Dickens novel and watch time fly through the windows.

#### **Whole Lotta White**



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Like the grand yet simple aura that a Wimbledon court or a Test match at Lord's offers? The common denominator: it's all white!

There is something extremely peaceful about the color white. And while you do not want to go overboard with it, having a hefty backdrop of white paint and gauzy curtains can really make other textures and prints stand out. White walls or hallways will also offer a flavor of coziness and warmth to your house.

#### **Elaborate Gardens**



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Gardens are the soul of the cottagecore lifestyle. Just imagine the nameless protagonist in Daphne du Maurier's *Rebecca* wandering through the beautiful greens and woods of Manderley! Well, there is no stopping you from creating your own little Manderley and getting lost in it.

#### **Kitchen Elements**



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Now let's go back to the picture of your grandma for a minute and try to remember the things that stood out in her household. We bet a lot of kitchen accessories, such as stone mortar and pestles, wooden spoons, and wooden cutting boards, are some of the things that you may recall. The methodical craftsmanship of these basic tools was so astonishing that you almost feel like trading them for modern kitchenware!

Well, almost. After all, you don't have to give up the modern comforts and convenience to enjoy the charms and nostalgia of simple living. In fact, you can incorporate elements of cottagecore utensils right alongside your modern kitchen equipment and non-cottagecore elements and have the best of both worlds.

### Live the Cottagecore Lifestyle!

Now, before you go on and fill your house with vintage decor, rustic kitchen tools, and potted plants to revive the nostalgia, you need to understand that it is more important to work on the 'feel' of the trend. And this 'feel' is primarily based on simple living. Simple things like an open

stack of books and a skein of yarn lying on a chair can be way more useful in creating the cottagecore vibe in your house.

So now that you know all about it, follow these tips, and don't forget to check out the <u>Pepperfry</u> website for even more decor ideas and home products that will help you implement the perfect cottagecore lifestyle.

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