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Fresh as a Beautiful Home Spring garden For a home that always feels like springtime, decorate with bright garden colors—grass green, daffodil yellow and rose red—set off by lots of clean, crisp white!

What could be fresher and cooler than a green-and-white scheme combined with wicker furniture? A floral-print tablecloth adds a touch of contrasting color.

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Decorator secret: In a busy family room, protect a pretty decorative tablecloth with a piece of glass cut to fit the tabletop.

QUICK TIP

Whether you decorate with real, dried or artificial flowers, the container should match your room—rustic earthenware for country, polished brass for traditional, glossy ceramic for contemporary.

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Natural-toned wicker furniture and crisp floral patterns turn any bedroom into a year round rose garden. An airy, "see-through" pattern also makes a room look larger.

Decorator secret: Free up space on your night same by mounting wall lamps for bedtime reading.

Stretch your-space decorating tips

▼ Brighten up your kitchen • Combine office and di ing space by setting a piece with wood on a pair of two-drawer fi dinnerware. cabinets, suggests Marisa Lupo hand-Decorating Den Interiors. Drape painted in a with a floor-length cloth for dining remove the cloth to use as a desk Provençal floral design. From This End Up.

 If your child's room is small, and there's some money is your budget, get a loft bed—simila to an upper bunk-and fit a desi underneath to free up more play space.

> Combine storage and seating in one piece by putting a cushion on top of a sturdy trunk or chest, advises Anita Wiklem of Decorating Den Interiors.

 Place your bed on an angle with the head toward a corner instead of pushing it sideways against a wall. You'll be able to get out of bed on either side, and should still have space for other furniture along the walls.

• If your dining room is small, and you have a big dining table, push one side against the wall to free up space; sit along the three open sides.

◀ A corner beneath a sloping ceiling makes a perfect nook for reading if you add a chair. a floor lamp and a small table. Soften a sharp corner with a folding screen; paint it yourself, or glue on cutout images that go with your decorating

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