

Teacup

SUCCULENTS

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Repurposed teacups, some decorative tape, and a few small succulents are all it took for Vanessa Spencer to create this sweet and inexpensive project. They are the perfect addition to any kitchen windowsill.



I've been inspired by so many creative ideas on Pinterest for unique ways to plant succulents, and I have seen many where you simply plant the succulents in teacups. I needed to add something sweet and simple to my kitchen windowsill, so I thought that this would be an easy way to add some interest to my kitchen.

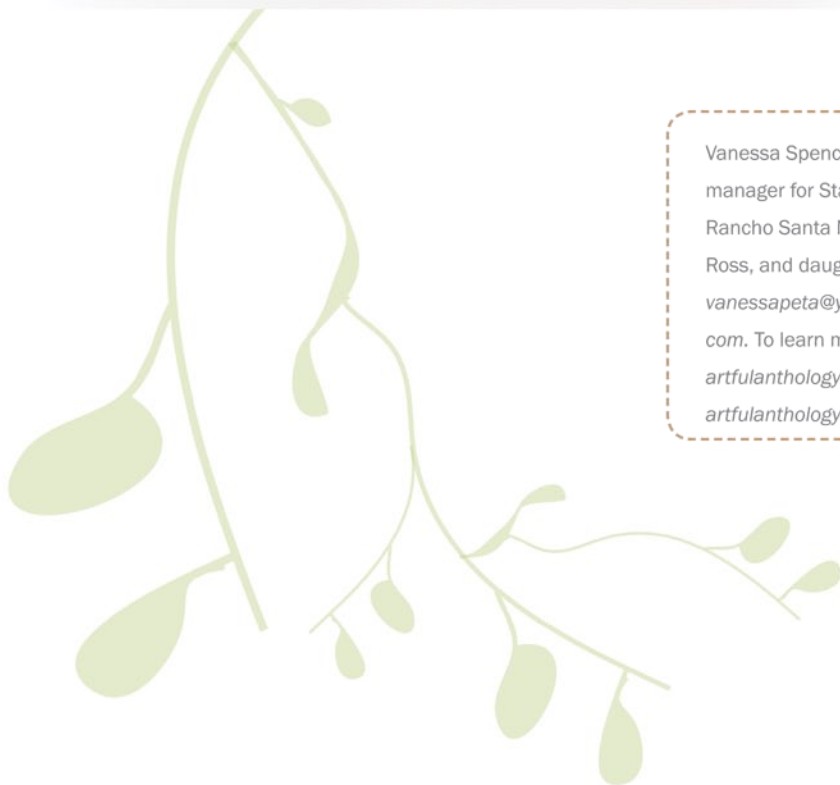
I'm not much of a tea drinker, so I headed to Goodwill to find some teacups. At first I had the intention of getting mismatched tea cups, but I couldn't find exactly what I had in mind. I ended up getting three matching white teacups, which worked out wonderfully — they match the white tile in my kitchen.

You can easily find small succulents at your local garden shop, most hardware stores, or even at swap meets. I decided to use different varieties so that they weren't too "matchy-matchy," and to give it some unique dimension.

Succulents don't require excessive watering, so the teacups seem to work just fine, even though there is no hole in the bottom for drainage. Succulents do best in a drier, rocky potting soil; instructions on a bag of soil will usually indicate if it is suitable for cacti and succulents.

I planted my succulents in the teacups, but decided that they just needed a little extra something, so I embellished each cup with simple strips of polka-dot patterned fabric tape.

These make lovely home décor, and also are a fantastic gift idea for when you need a small, yet meaningful, gift. ♦



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