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Go GOLD THIS Spring

3 GOLDEN IDEAS FOR THE HOME



As spring comes around, it's time to start celebrating the beautiful weather and blooming flowers, and what better way to celebrate than with a house party? The following are three OROGOLD-approved ideas to update your décor and throw a unique, gold-filled party to welcome the spring season:



Midas Touch Cake

A cake with golden touches is sure to be an impressive centerpiece for any party. Your guests will be impressed by its beauty and even more amazed that this exquisite cake is actually edible. To make this Midas touched wonder, start out with your choice of cake covered in white fondant. Next, add edible gold dust, which can be bought online or in specialty stores, and add it to the leftover fondant. Fashion the gold fondant into long strips and place them around the base of each layer of cake. Once this step is complete, you can move onto the gold flowers. Take more of the edible gold dust and mix it with a small amount of vodka until it becomes a thick but manageable paste. Paint imitation flowers, natural flowers or fondant flowers with this mixture, and let it dry overnight. Either cover the whole flower for extra sparkle or take inspiration for this image and concentrate the gold painting on the centers of the flowers. The next morning, your metallic cake will be ready to serve.



Cute Drink Glasses with a Gold Lipstick Print

If decorating cakes isn't your type of thing, these simple decorated glasses are a great way to add a touch of gold to any party. This design uses edible gold to paint on a lipstick print to the lip of the cup. These glasses are perfect for any event; plus, the paint is completely edible and removable. And, if lipstick doesn't suit you, you can also paint any other design you wish to. All that is needed is edible gold dust and either vodka or almond extract. These are mixed together, and you can paint designs using a small brush with this mixture that can either be eaten or wiped off.



DIY Gold Foiled Mirror

This project can be recreated not only on a mirror frame but any other decorations that need revamping such as picture frames, bowls or vases, and chairs, especially if they are made of wood. For a mirror, you will need one or two packs of gold leafing as well as gold leaf adhesive and seal, sand paper, a brush, and a cloth. These supplies can all be purchased at a craft store. First, you must prepare the surface. Lightly sandpaper it to remove any dirt or oil and then run a damp cloth or sponge over the surface and allow it to dry.

After it has fully dried, apply the adhesive in a thin layer; it will appear white but dry clear. Once the layer is clear, you can place a sheet of your gold leaf over it and press it into the surface using either your hands or a small brush. If the gold leafing rips, you can apply more on top. After you have covered the entire piece, use your hand or a small cloth to rub the gold leaf into the surface. The gold leaf will begin to shine at this point, and you can use sealant to preserve this look.



There you have it — three simple ways to add a touch of gold to any house party. Even if you're not a party planner, try out one of these ideas just for fun! Who wouldn't love a golden spark shining in the middle of their day?



OROGOLD reveals...

Ancient Egyptian Beauty SECRETS

By Sarah E. McCormick

Nefertiti and Cleopatra would write their beauty recipes and secrets down on papyrus and form them into scrolls. Many years later, these scrolls were discovered - along with all of the wonderful beauty tricks and tips they had to offer. It is with great pleasure we bring you some of those secrets today, in this article on Ancient Egyptian Beauty Secrets and their revelation.

When we think about Ancient Egyptian beauty, the first thing that tends to come to mind were the beautiful and powerful Queens of Egypt: Nefertiti and Cleopatra. Although these women were very different rulers, they were both outed as two of the most beautiful Queens to have ever lived, and it's no wonder their beauty secrets have been revered for centuries. Nefertiti and Cleopatra have inspired legions of fans and even the creation of OROGOLD Cosmetics. We imagine that these reigning ladies would have indulged in OROGOLD. It's fit for a Queen!



24K Daily Essentials

MILK & HONEY

Milk and honey have long been considered essential to moisturizing the skin. Cleopatra would take a daily goat milk bath and incorporate honey into the water with the milk. Goat's milk contains alpha-hydroxy components as well as caprylic acids, both known for sloughing away dead skin, and allowing new skin cell generation. Aside from that, the milk itself is incredibly moisturizing and works with the honey to cleanse and renew the skin. Add 3 cups of goats milk, ½ cup of honey, and (optional) 5 tbsp. of almond oil or olive oil to running bathwater, and voila! Instantaneous moisturized skin in a snap.

OLIVE OIL, FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH

These pharaohs were known to use olive oil in their hair along with Frankincense and Myrrh essential oils mixed in to perfume her hair, and moisturize it. This will also keep dandruff away as well. Simply use olive oil as a pre-wash to your shampoo, and don't use conditioner that day. It works fantastic - and if you want to add the essential oils for an authentic fragrance we suggest you go for it! Frankincense and Myrrh are revered as sacred and holy in some cultures and religions. They were also extremely expensive in ancient Egyptian times and were used by the wealthy and powerful.



Frankincense and Myrrh



SEA SALT BODY SCRUB

Many wealthy and powerful women of ancient Egypt used a body scrub made from salt obtained from the Dead Sea. You can get the same treatment today by utilizing 2 heaping tablespoons of sea salt and 3 tablespoons of a heavy cream (food grade, unflavored) and mixing together. Scrub your body in circular motions gently with the mixture and allow it to sit on your skin for 5-10 minutes. Rinse, and be amazed at the gorgeous, super soft skin you will have.

WHITE CLAY FACIAL MASK

This is one of the most well-known secrets from Nefertiti's scrolls, and is what is believed to have kept her skin in such good condition and so utterly beautiful. Cleopatra would use a white clay mask very frequently, cleaning her skin of impurities and toxins, and refreshing her appearance in the process. White clay is also known to rid the skin of acne problems. You can make a very similar recipe at home with 2 tablespoons of kaolin white clay powder, 2 tablespoons of whole milk or cream, 1 tablespoon of honey and one tablespoon of olive oil. Mix all of the ingredients together, and apply to your face and neck. Allow the mask to sit on your face for 10-15 minutes, and then rinse away. Your skin will feel pure, fresh, and soft. You can use this mask 1-2 times per week.

MOISTURIZING FACE CREAM

Cleopatra herself kept her youthful appearance by applying a special face cream she had made every day. The cream consists of 2 tablespoons of aloe vera juice, 6 drops of rose essential oil, 1 tablespoon of almond or olive oil, and 2 spoons of beeswax. Simply heat the beeswax in a pan (or even in the microwave) until melted, followed by the aloe juice and rose oil and almond or olive oil. Mix well, and store in a glass jar in your refrigerator for up to one week. You can use this cream daily to moisturize your skin and provide a fantastically smooth and soft complexion.

While this is just a small bit of the incredible beauty tips we can take from Ancient Egypt, there will be more to come. We hope you enjoy these recipes and ideas, and use them every day to have the most beautiful skin around!

MEDIA &
ENTERTAINMENT

Nicki MINAJ

Brash, confident, and sexually explicit, Queens rapper Nicki Minaj embraces so many qualities that were supposed to be exemplified by boneheaded men, and yet she's managed to become one of the most successful artists in music today. Nicki commands a huge and loyal following, and doesn't let anyone define her image for her.*len-clark*

Oprah WINFREY

It would be difficult to have any contact with contemporary media and not have come across Oprah. Her list of influential achievements is long, having thrown her weight behind ventures in television (shows, then whole TV channels), public speaking, publishing, film, and probably a whole range of areas the public hasn't even learned about yet.

Beyoncé KNOWLES

Beyoncé is one of the best-known entertainers on the planet, evoking the grace, beauty, and composure of the stars of old. It's easy to forget that she really hasn't been around for that long, but at the relatively young age of 34, she's already spent several years ruling the pop world.

GRAMMY AWARDS

GRAMMY A

GRAMMY AV

Venus & Serena WILLIAMS

While each of these sisters really deserve their own entries on any list, they've proven a potent force for women particularly as a team. Their example of female camaraderie through extreme challenges is one to inspire unity among women everywhere. Not to mention their superhuman strength, competitive spirits, and tendency to win.



Abby WAMBACH

Abby Wambach is a soccer star in a country that doesn't care much about soccer. That certainly hasn't stopped her from racking up the Olympic medals and athlete-of-the-year awards. A tough-as-nails six-foot pro who specializes in scoring goals head first, Wambach is a joy to watch.



Diana TAURASI

Diana Taurasi's strange story makes her unique — she's a California native who currently plays for Russian women's basketball team UMMC Ekaterinburg — but then so does her record of achievement and her gripping potential. She'll be making a return to the Phoenix Mercury in 2016, so watch out for her upcoming impact on the WNBA.

