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## Home Ideas



## Bring new life to the living room this spring

With the arrival of springtime, thoughts turn to spring cleaning and decorating. This month, IKEA presents valuable tips on how to refresh and brighten the living room on a budget, making it more welcoming, relaxing and livable.

### Tips to refresh the living room:

#### LESS IS MORE

Start "spring cleaning" the living room by eliminating extras and clearing away heavy or dark accessories. Create a lighter, airier look by keeping shelves and surfaces clear with the exception of one or two simple, light accessories.\*

#### WORK WITH TEXTILES

Removable, cleanable covers are an economical way to move into springtime with lighter, fresher colors for sofas and chairs. Another option is to use light colored textiles such as pillows and throws to break up the large expanse of a dark sofa.

#### KEEP IT OPEN

What would spring cleaning be without open windows and fresh air? With warmer weather, there is less need for insulated, heavy curtains and window treatments. Remove unnecessary layers and replace with light sheers or simple blinds which can be kept open to allow for light and air circulation.

#### LET THERE BE LIGHT

Look for ways to bring additional light into the living room. Add extra lamps within the room and in bookshelves to lighten and brighten. Move furniture closer to sunny windows to take advantage of increased light and sun. Adding a large mirror in an area where it will reflect light brightens the room and gives the illusion of more space.

#### FLORAL FRESH

Flowers are the embodiment of spring. Whenever possible, bring flowers and floral motifs into the living room. Floral prints can be introduced on textiles or art prints. Create quick and inexpensive artwork by framing two or three beautiful floral fabrics and hanging gallery style. Use light, floral-scented candles throughout the living room for a breath of spring.

\*A customized BESTÅ wall unit keeps the living room fresh and tidy! Please [click here](#) for an interactive planning tool.

# Featured Products



PE237180

## **KASSETT storage boxes \$2.99-\$11.99**

*Last year's price \$5.99-\$14.99*

Available in various shapes and sizes, these economical storage solutions keep clutter off shelves and surfaces by providing storage space for magazines, CDs, DVDs, and more.



PE224506

## **OFELIA BLAD cushion \$14.99**

Perfect for spring, these white cotton velvet cushions help break up a dark sofa and brighten up the living room.



PE224924

## **TINDRA scented candle \$1.99**

These lightly scented floral candles instantly transform the living room by bringing the fresh aromas of springtime indoors.

Remember! Never leave a burning candle unattended.



PE244730

## **ALVINE FLÄTA curtains \$14.99**

These thin, sheer curtains filter the light and allow fresh air to flow through an open window.



PE059284

## **EGEBY 5'5"x7'7" rug \$99.99**

With its light fresh color, the flat woven sisal EGEBY rug is the perfect addition to a brighter, more colorful springtime living room.



PE249084

## **KARLSTAD sofa \$499**

*Last year's price \$599*

Removable, cleanable covers in light fresh colors add a touch of springtime to the living room.

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