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 1 c chopped dates
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Combine all ingredients; mix well.
 Drop from teaspoon onto cookie sheet.
 Bake at 350 degrees
 for 10 to 12 minutes.

FROSTING

½ c brown sugar
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Write the letter of your answer beside each term,
then check the answer key to see how many you
knew! Food terms and definitions for this quiz were
found in the 1978 Florida cookbook, *Sopchoppy
Country Cooking*.

- | | |
|---------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Arroz | A. cake |
| 2. Cannelloni | B. large beef sausage |
| 3. Fromage | C. Cheese |
| 4. Griskins | D. Any form of rice |
| 5. Imu | E. Underground oven |
| 6. Kuchen | F. Macaroni stuffed with meat |
| 7. Knackwurst | G. The lean part of a pork loin |

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2 T chopped fresh parsley • 1/2 t Italian seasoning • 1/4 t black pepper • 2 T olive oil

Additional parmesan cheese, for topping

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Lightly grease a baking sheet or line it with parchment paper.
2. Clean mushrooms with a damp paper towel. Remove stems and finely chop them.
3. Melt butter in a skillet over medium heat. Add chopped mushroom stems and cook for 3-4 minutes.
4. Add garlic and cook for another 30 seconds. Remove skillet from heat.
5. Stir in cream cheese, parmesan, breadcrumbs, parsley, Italian seasoning and black pepper until well combined.
6. Arrange mushroom caps on the prepared baking sheet and lightly brush with olive oil.
7. Spoon filling generously into each mushroom cap.
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September 24 & 26: **HARVEST MOON LUNCHEON** Watermelon Moon Farm, Lebanon, TN; reservations and prepayment of \$30 per person are required

September 25-26: **FALL SALES** Grit & Grace Market, Cleveland, TN

September 26: **CORYDON EXTRAVAGANZA** Harrison Co. Fairgrounds, Corydon, IN; CorydonExtravaganza.com

September 26-27: **FALL OPEN HOUSE** Four Sisters Antiques & Vintage, Murfreesboro, TN

October 1 & 3: **AUTUMN BRUNCH & TEA** Watermelon Moon Farm, Lebanon, TN; reservations and prepayment of \$30 per person are required

October 2-3: **CLINCH RIVER ANTIQUE FESTIVAL** historic downtown Clinton, TN; visit Clinton Antique Mall during the festival

October 3, 9-3: **8TH ANNIVERSARY FLEA MARKET** Treasures Trash and Tiques, Columbia, TN

October 3, 10am: **GRAND OPENING** The Village Antique Mall & Vendor Market, Kingsport, TN

October 3: **CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY** Beaty Hardware, Cleveland, TN

October 6 & 13, 5-8pm: **OCTOBER EVES DRAW & SHOP** Yesterday's Treasures Today, Dickson, TN

October 8, 6pm: **FACEBOOK LIVE SALE: SISTERS GONE PICKIN' GULF COAST** virtual with Four Sisters Antiques & Vintage, Murfreesboro, TN

October 10, 10am: **GRAND OPENING** Rusted Rooster, Chattanooga, TN

October 10, 10-4: **ANTIQUES APPRAISAL FAIR** Sissy's Antiques & Interiors, Fayetteville, TN; official appraiser Sam Holden

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October 10, 11am: **GRAND OPENING** Big Momma's Uniques & Antiques, Mount Pleasant, TN

October 17, 9-3: **POP-UP PARKING LOT SALE** Four Sisters Antiques & Vintage, Murfreesboro, TN; 30+ vendors outside and 80+ permanent vendors inside

October 17: **FALL FUN LUNCHEON** Watermelon Moon Farm, Lebanon, TN; reservations and prepayment of \$30 per person are required

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October 29-31: **HALLOWEEN STORE-WIDE SALE** United Estates Antique Mall and Collectibles, Cleveland, TN

October 31: **COLLECTORS CARNIVAL ANTIQUE & FLEA MARKET** Gibson Co. Fairgrounds, Princeton, IN

October 31: **HALLOWEEN COSTUME GIVEAWAY** The Green Gardinia, Rossville, GA; wear your costume for a chance to win gift certificates

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November 5-8: **DASHING DOWN THE BOULEVARD** The Mustard Seed Antiques, Gifts & Home Décor, Chattanooga, TN; door prizes and drawings

November 5-8: **HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE** Watermelon Moon Farm, Lebanon, TN

November 6-7: **CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE** Country Traditions, Ardmore, AL; refreshments and discounts

November 6-7: **HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE** Shop on Main, Ooltewah, TN

November 6-7: **HOLIDAY SHOP HOP** Fort Oglethorpe, GA; shop Three Sisters Vintage, Boozy Cat Antique Boutique and The Copper Mermaid's holiday open houses for a chance to win a special giveaway

November 6-8: **CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE** Grit & Grace Market, Cleveland, TN

November 7, 10-6: **OPEN HOUSE** The Antiques Parlour, Cleveland, TN

November 7: **CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE** Brik Brak's Antiques, Cleveland, TN

November 13-14: **CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE** Ole Kuntry Mall, Paris, TN

November 19 & 21: **HOLIDAY LUNCHEON** Watermelon Moon Farm, Lebanon, TN; reservations & prepayment are required

November 20-22: **HOLIDAY SALE** The Shoppes at Homespun, Knoxville, TN

November 21: **CORYDON EXTRAVAGANZA** Harrison Co. Fairgrounds, Corydon, IN; CorydonExtravaganza.com

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LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHERS

There's something about October that makes us want to get in the car and go somewhere.

Maybe it's the cooler weather finally making its way South, the changing leaves or simply knowing that the busy holiday season isn't far behind. Whatever the reason, this time of year seems made for taking the scenic route.

Around our house, October will bring the end of cross country and football cheer, along with a much-anticipated Fall Break from school. We're hoping to use some of that time to do a little exploring of our own—and Busy Bee will be coming along for the ride.

Over the years, readers have told us they keep a copy of Busy Bee Trader in the car and pull it out when they're ready for a day trip. We love hearing that, because that's exactly how we hope you'll use it.

Pick a town you haven't visited in a while, or maybe one you've never visited at all. Look through these pages and find a shop that gives you a reason to head that

direction. Once you get there, stop somewhere else that catches your eye. Have lunch at a local restaurant. Wander through another antique store or vendor market. Take the back road home.

You never know what you'll find.

We're planning to take our own advice over Fall Break and visit a few Busy Bee advertisers we haven't made it to yet. Even after two years, there are still new places for us to discover, too. And with businesses spread across Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Kentucky and beyond, we certainly aren't going

to run out anytime soon.

That's one of our favorite things about what we do. Busy Bee may be filled with antiques, vintage finds, home décor and plenty of places to shop, but it's also a guide to small towns, locally owned businesses and people who are worth getting to know.

So this October, keep this issue in the car. Pick a direction. Give yourself enough time to make an unexpected stop or two. And if the scenic route takes a little longer, that's probably the point.

We hope Busy Bee helps you find somewhere new to go and something worth stopping for along the way.

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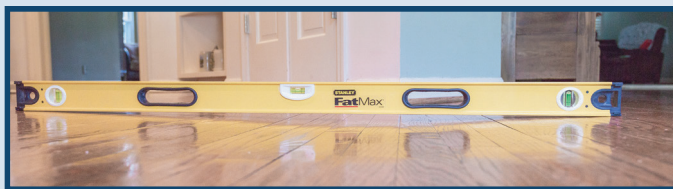
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1 can mushrooms

1 can kidney beans

2 c cooked egg noodles, rice or spaghetti

3 large ripe tomatoes

Salt and pepper

Fry steak until brown, then fry bacon and add to steak. Add onions and peppers and cook 10 minutes; add mushrooms, beans, noodles, rice or spaghetti, and thinly sliced peeled tomatoes. Stir well, season and simmer up to 20 minutes. If desired, cooked ingredients may be placed in a casserole dish and grated cheese, breadcrumbs and strips of bacon placed on top and browned in oven.

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RECIPE: Caramelized Onion, Apple & Cheddar Flatbread

1 large flatbread or prepared pizza crust
2 T olive oil, divided • 1 large yellow onion, thinly sliced
1 T butter • 1 t brown sugar
1 medium crisp apple, such as Honeycrisp or Granny Smith, thinly sliced
1½ c shredded sharp white cheddar cheese
1/3 c crumbled goat cheese, optional
1 t fresh thyme leaves or ½ t dried thyme
1 T honey • ¼ t black pepper • Pinch of salt • 1 c baby arugula, optional

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Place the flatbread on a baking sheet. 2. Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil and the butter in a large skillet over medium-low heat. 3. Add the sliced onion and a pinch of salt. Cook for 15-20 minutes, stirring occasionally, until soft and golden brown. 4. Stir in the brown sugar and cook for another 1-2 minutes. Remove from heat. 5. Brush the flatbread lightly with the remaining tablespoon of olive oil. 6. Sprinkle about half of the cheddar cheese over the flatbread. 7. Spread the caramelized onions evenly over the cheese, then arrange the apple slices on top. 8. Sprinkle with the remaining cheddar, goat cheese if using, thyme and black pepper. 9. Bake for 10-12 minutes, or until the cheese is melted and bubbly and the edges of the flatbread are crisp. 10. Remove from the oven and drizzle lightly with honey. 11. Top with baby arugula, if desired. Slice into squares or wedges and serve warm.



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After the building they previously called home was sold, Antiques on 231 found a new location just a short distance away at 106 East Market Street in Lebanon. What followed was a whirlwind two months of renovations, moving, planning and preparing for opening day.

With getting the shop ready for cus-

tomers as the top priority, the team focused their efforts on transforming the interior first — and the results are worth a look. The new space is filled with booths, displays and plenty of antiques, vintage finds and unexpected treasures to discover.

There's still more transformation to come. Work on the exterior is

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by Terry Lea, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Here in the South, we eagerly await the return of pumpkin-flavored everything. We pull out sweaters and outerwear in anticipation of fall... long before the temperatures cool down enough to actually enjoy them. And we decorate our homes for autumn while the temperatures are still in the triple digits because if we don't, we might not be able to enjoy it for very long. But when and where did the tradition of decorating for the fall season come from?

In the past, households undertook a myriad of seasonal tasks necessary for survival and comfort during the coldest months. Everything from changing lightweight linen or lace curtains to heavy wool and velvet drapes that would cut down on drafts, to cutting and stacking firewood within easy reach, possibly even moving beds back indoors from screened porches and placing heavy blankets and quilts back on them to ward off chills.

Fall was spent filling jars with fruits and vegetables and storing them in cellars and pantries along with squashes, potatoes and onions. Crockers were packed with pickles and kraut. Hams were hung in smokehouses to cure and supplies of soap and candles were stockpiled. Seeds were gathered and cleaned before storing for next year's garden and herbs were gathered and dried for cooking and medicinal needs.

There have always been some hints of whimsy among the fall tasks: cornhusk dolls date back hundreds of years. Gourds and squash were carved into jack o'lanterns in the early 1800s. Harvest wreaths harken back to medieval times and dried garlic and peppers have been braided to ward off spirits as well as provide a decorative touch in kitchens for centuries.

With department stores and supermarkets ensuring year-round access to food and creature comforts, our fall tasks have become far less vital and much more decorative. We gather gourds, squash and cornstalks to grace our porches and indoor spaces. We instinctively reach for crocks, jugs and jars to fill with late-season flowers and foliage, even if we aren't harvesting and "putting up" food for the cooler weather ahead.

The earliest mass-produced fall decor centered primarily on Halloween. By the early 1900s, paper ephemera like postcards and papier-mâché jack o'lanterns were introduced. You can sometimes find them in antique shops



and online, but they are relatively rare, fragile and typically pricey.

In the 1930s and '40s, printed linen and cloth tablecloths and tea towels began appearing. Cross-stitch and embroidery patterns abounded, allowing home seamstresses to create fall-themed napkins, tablecloths, pillows and towels.

By the 1950s, plastic blow-mold pumpkins and jack o'lanterns were popularized, along with paper and nylon costumes with celluloid and plastic masks. In the same time period, crepe paper decorations went into overdrive, offering three-dimensional centerpieces in shapes like pumpkins, ghosts, turkeys and more.

In the 1970s, ceramic pumpkins and other fall-themed decor items were popularized and were mainly hand-painted, then glazed and fired.

Glass pumpkins and gourds are the late-

comers and weren't introduced until the 1990s. When they were, the market exploded for them and they remain a perennial favorite for fall decorating.

In more recent years, fall decorations have returned to more natural and organic materials, such as dried florals, foliage and pods for indoor decor, as well as simple squash and gourds to decorate our porches. If we're lucky, we can even keep a favorite quilt or two outside and curl up under one on cool nights... when the temperatures finally fall!

A visit to any vintage or antique store will surely provide an abundance of crocks, amber-hued glassware and fall-hued dishes, so you can create beautiful mix-and-match tablescapes with goblets, platters and plates layered over vintage fall linens.

However (and whenever) you choose to welcome fall to your home, add some nostalgia and history with simple items that will take you back in time. It's also a good reminder that we have the luxury of decorating for fall instead of scurrying to do those late-season chores that our forebears had to undertake to survive the cold months ahead.

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Each month in “Trend & Tradition,” we explore the styles making a comeback—or sticking around for good—in the world of antique and vintage décor. Whether it’s a classic piece getting a modern twist or a fresh way to style a timeworn favorite, we’ll show you how old and new can live beautifully together.

There is something about fall that makes us look a little more closely at the natural world. Leaves change, birds begin their seasonal journeys and the colors outside shift from summer brights to mossy greens, warm browns and burnished golds. Indoors, those same colors and textures are finding their way into a decorating look inspired by the naturalists and collectors of generations past.

Think framed botanical and bird prints, old field guides, binoculars, magnifying glasses, pressed flowers, shells, feathers and curious scientific instruments whose original purpose may require a little investigating. Gathered together, they create a collected look that brings nature, history and a sense of discovery into the home.

Curiosity on Display

Long before we could identify a bird or wildflower with a phone, understanding the natural world required careful observation. Naturalists studied and documented plants, animals, insects, rocks and other specimens,

often recording their findings through detailed illustrations and collections.

Those pursuits left behind an interesting assortment of objects that antique lovers can still discover today. Field guides and educational charts sit alongside botanical prints and scientific instruments. Old binoculars hint at afternoons spent watching birds, while specimen drawers, magnifying glasses and glass jars recall another era of hands-on study.

Today, you don’t need to recreate a museum—or have any scientific expertise—to appreciate the look. The appeal is in mixing these pieces naturally into the things you already own.

What to Look for While You Shop

Part of the fun of this trend is that there is no single item you need to find. In fact, the more varied the collection, the more interesting it becomes.

As you browse antique malls, markets and estate sales, keep an eye out for:

- Vintage botanical, bird and wildlife prints
- Old field guides and nature books
- Binoculars and magnifying glasses
- Pressed flowers and botanical specimens

- Shells, feathers, fossils and mineral specimens

- Scientific, optical and measuring instruments

- Apothecary bottles, specimen jars and glass cloches

- Small wooden drawers, boxes and cabinets for display

- Vintage taxidermy and natural-history specimens

As always, condition matters differently depending on the piece. A little foxing on an old print, worn leather on a field guide or patina on a brass instrument can add to its character. With natural specimens and taxidermy, however, buy from reputable sellers and ask questions about age, condition and origin.

Bringing the Look Home

Naturalist décor works best when it feels discovered rather than decorated. You don’t need an actual cabinet of curiosities to get started.

Hang a vintage bird print above a wooden chest, then add a small stack of nature books and an old pair of binoculars. Slip a pressed botanical into a vintage frame. Place shells or interesting stones beneath a glass cloche or fill the small compartments



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The Naturalist's Eye: Collecting the Beauty of the Natural World

of an old drawer with tiny finds.

Bookshelves are another natural home for these collections. Tuck a brass magnifying glass beside old books, lean a small botanical print against the back of a shelf or add an unusual scientific instrument simply because its shape caught your eye.

The goal isn't to make everything match. It is to create the feeling that each object was found at a different time and kept because someone found it fascinating.

Why It Feels Right for October

This look seems especially at home in October. Its palette already belongs to the season—aged paper, dark wood, brass, faded green and all the earthy colors found outdoors.

It also offers an alternative to traditional fall decorating. Rather than filling every surface with seasonal decorations, a framed botanical, a bowl of collected pinecones or an old natural-history book can quietly suggest au-

turn while remaining on display long after the pumpkins are put away.

There is even a slightly mysterious quality to some of these objects. An unfamiliar instrument, an old specimen under glass or a beautifully illustrated scientific chart naturally invites a closer look. That's part of their charm.



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Where to Hunt

Antique malls and vendor markets are particularly good hunting grounds for this trend because many of the best pieces aren't necessarily displayed together. Check the artwork for botanical and wildlife prints, then move to the bookshelves for old field guides. Look inside display cases for binoculars, magnifiers and unusual scientific objects. Estate sales, auctions and flea markets can also turn up collections that have been tucked away for decades.

And don't overlook the object you can't immediately identify. Ask the dealer about it. Turn it over. Look for a maker's mark. Part of the pleasure of collecting has always been learning something along the way.

As you visit Busy Bee Trader advertisers this fall, keep an eye out for those pieces that inspire a second look. Collecting with a naturalist's eye is about surrounding yourself with objects that reflect curiosity about the world outside and preserving a little of that wonder inside your home.



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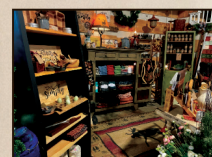
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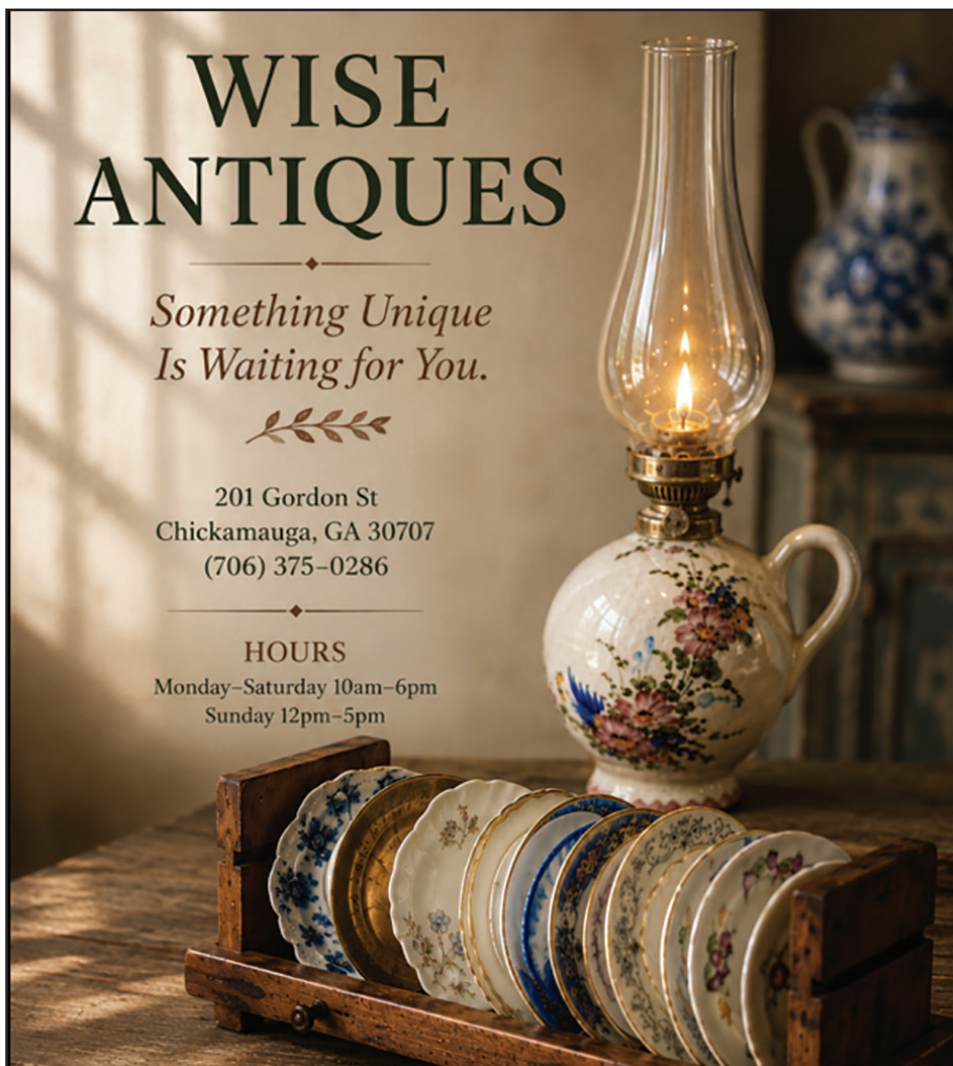


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That eye belongs to owner Susan Southerland, a life-long decorator and collector who opened The Mustard Seed Gifts in 2016. For Susan, owning a shop was a dream years in the making. Her love of decorating began early; her mother used to say she was “born with a hammer in her hand,” and even as a little girl, Susan was constantly



finding ways to rearrange and improve her Barbie dollhouses.

That instinct for making things beautiful eventually grew into The Mustard Seed.

Even the shop's name has a story behind it. Inspired by Matthew 17:20 and its message of faith as small as a mustard seed, the

name reflects Susan's own faith and the importance it has held throughout her life. It also carries a special family connection. Both her mother and grandmother wore mustard seed necklaces, and when Susan opened the store, she and her niece Hannah created their own version of the meaningful piece.

Today, that combination of personal history and a love for beautiful things gives The Mustard Seed its distinctive personality.

Shoppers will find a mix that feels collected rather than predictable. A vintage leather chair might share space with an oil painting, a striking piece of blue-and-white pottery or an unusual antique. Mirrors, lighting, furniture and decorative pieces offer inspiration for the home, while jewelry and accessories make it just as easy to find something for yourself—or a gift for someone else.

There is also an appreciation for art throughout the store, including work by local artists. It all adds to the sense that The Mustard Seed isn't about filling shelves with identical merchandise. It's about bringing together pieces worth noticing. And for those of us who love antiques and vintage, that is a big part of the fun. The best finds aren't always the things we set out to buy. Sometimes

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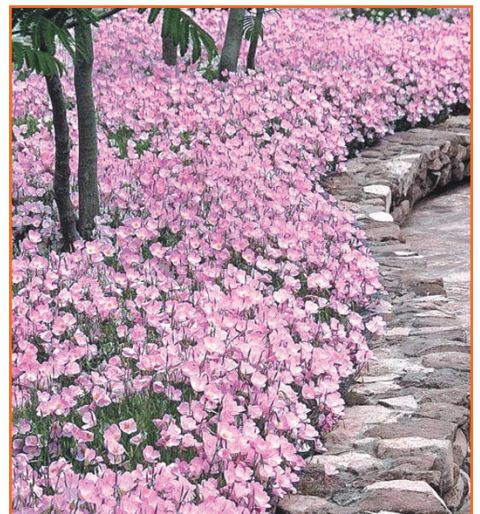
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COLUMBIA ANTIQUE MARKETPLACE: 101 N. James Campbell Blvd. Look for us in the Factory. Awesome vendors with great prices. 931-982-6400.

COWAN

RUBY'S ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES & THE BLESSING

SPOT FOOD PANTRY: 202 E. Cumberland St. 931-581-9892. rubydiller55@gmail.com. Find us on FB

EAST RIDGE

MERCANTILE AT THE RIDGE: 6725 Ringgold Rd, in East Ridge. A Merchant's Collective specializing in antiques, home decor, collectibles, specialty shops, food, local artisans, boutiques, gifts and more. 423-654-7923, M-Sat 10-6, Sun 11-6.

RUSTED ROOSTER ANTIQUES & DECOR: 6511 Slater Rd, Chattanooga, TN 37412. Located in the East Ridge Antique District. 423-313-3251. www.rustedrooster.net. 1rustedrooster@gmail.com

ETOWAH

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FRANKLIN

FRANKLIN ANTIQUE MALL: 251 2nd Ave S., on the corner of 2nd and Margin. Franklin's Oldest & Largest Mall filled with quality antique furniture, accessories, smalls and good collectibles in the old "Ice House." Mon-Sat 10-5, Sun 1-5. 615-790-8593.

GOODLETTSVILLE

GOODLETTSVILLE ANTIQUE MALL: 213 N. Main Street. 37072. I-65, Exit 97. Go rt. on Main St, one block on rt. Over 23,000 sq. ft. of antiques, vintage, collectibles, furniture, primitives, glassware & more. Mon-Sat 10-5:30, Sun 11-5:30. 615-859-7002.

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BACK PORCH ANTIQUES: 750 W. Andrew Johnson Hwy. True antique

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KNOXVILLE/MARYVILLE

THE SHOPPES AT HOMESPUN: Farragut Shop - 11523 Kingston Pike, Knoxville Village Green Center; Hrs M-S, 10-6, Sun 1-6. 1-865-6713444. Maryville location - 1410 Sevierville Rd.(Old Cherokee Lumber Bldg) Hrs M-S, 10-6, Sun 1-6. 1-865-724-2018. Both shoppes offer Primitives, Antiques, Home Decor, Gifts & More.

LEBANON

HACKBERRY FARM ANTIQUES: 840 Lindsley Rd (From I-40, Exit 239, go southeast on Hwy 70 for 3 miles, right on Lindsley Rd, then 1 mile on left. Appx. 5 miles from Lebanon Square. Antique furniture, china, silver, art & Depression glass, lamps, pictures, original art by Orlinda, TN artist Bruce Corban & more. Thurs-Sat or by appt. 615-444-1769.

LOUDON

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MEMPHIS

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HYLABROOK ANTIQUES: I-24, Exit 78B (Murfreesboro), first road on right (Chaffin Place), 5th building on right past Cracker Barrel. Furniture, primitives, toys, first edition & historic books, art glass, Fenton, military items, silver & more. Mon-Sat 9:30-5:30, Sun 12-5:30. 615-907-6066.

NASHVILLE

GASLAMP ANTIQUES & GASLAMP ANTIQUES TOO: 100 Powell Place, Ste 200 & 128 Powell Place. Two stores of antiques, vintage, collectibles, art & more. M-Sat 10-6, Sun 12-6. 615-297-2224. 615-292-2250. gaslampantiques.com

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OLTEWAH

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SHELBYVILLE

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SPRING HILL

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SWEETWATER

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WALLAND

RIVERMILL ANTIQUES: (20+yrs) 4618 E. Lamar Alexander Pkwy. Open 7 days, Mon-Sat, 10-6, Sun 12:30-6. Antiques, primitives, vintage & home decor, local history memorabilia items, & more. Pop up sales regularly! 865-977-0810.

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