

FREE PRINTABLE GUIDE

Pipe Cleaner Fall Harvest Centerpiece

Rust Sunflowers, Burgundy Roses & Wheat Stems — No Glue



COST

\$5–8

TIME

45–60 min

MAX HEIGHT

35 cm

GLUE NEEDED

None

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What You Need

Materials

- Burnt orange, rust, and burgundy pipe cleaners — for sunflowers and roses
- Dark brown pipe cleaners — for sunflower centers
- Mustard yellow pipe cleaners — for accent daisies
- Dark green pipe cleaners — for stems and leaves
- Raffia or dried wheat (real or faux) — for texture
- A low, wide container — wooden bowl, low ceramic dish, or hollowed mini pumpkin
- Floral foam, pebbles, or rice — to anchor the stems

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Step-by-Step Assembly

- 1 Make your hero flowers.** 4-5 rust or burnt orange sunflowers (Sunset Orange or Burgundy Harvest variation) — your tallest, most eye-catching flowers.
- 2 Make your medium flowers.** 4-6 burgundy roses, plus 3-4 mustard yellow daisies for warmth and contrast.
- 3 Anchor your container.** Fill two-thirds full with floral foam, pebbles, or rice. If using a mini pumpkin, line the inside with a small plastic cup first.
- 4 Build the outer ring.** Push daisies and roses around the rim first, angling them outward.
- 5 Add the sunflowers.** Place toward the center, slightly taller than the ring, staying under 35 cm total.
- 6 Add harvest texture.** Tuck raffia or dried wheat low around the base, between the flowers.
- 7 Final check.** Check from all sides and fill any gaps with a leaf or small daisy.

Pro tip: The raffia/wheat detail is what makes this read as "harvest" rather than just "colorful flowers" — don't skip it.

Harvest Color Palettes to Try

Classic Thanksgiving — burnt orange + burgundy + mustard yellow + dark green

Rustic Farmhouse — all rust and brown tones with raffia and wheat, no bright colors

Elegant Autumn — deep burgundy roses only, with gold accents woven in

Warm & Bright — orange sunflowers + red roses + yellow daisies

Where to Use Your Harvest Centerpiece

Thanksgiving Table

The main event — pairs beautifully with a mini pumpkin container.

Fall Mantel Display

Flanked by two matching mini arrangements.

Front Porch Table

Never wilts, so it can sit outside for the whole season.



Autumn Dinner Party

A lower-height version alongside candles.

Tips for a Harvest-Ready Look



Lean into warm tones — rust, burgundy, mustard and brown read as "fall" far more than red or pink



Raffia and wheat are the detail that sells it — don't skip this step

A mini pumpkin container instantly adds seasonal context

Make it weeks before Thanksgiving — since it never wilts, there's no reason to wait

FAQ

Can I make this without glue?

Yes — every element, including the wheat accents, is added by tucking and twisting.

Can I reuse my regular centerpiece flowers?

Not directly — swap in rust, burgundy, and mustard rather than pastel or bright spring colors.

How far in advance can I make this?

Weeks ahead — build it in October and it'll be ready well before Thanksgiving.

Can I use a real mini pumpkin?

Yes — hollow it out, line with a small cup, and fill with your anchoring material as usual.

My Harvest Centerpiece Checklist

- ☐ I made my rust/orange sunflowers
- ☐ I made my burgundy roses and mustard daisies
- ☐ I anchored my container
- ☐ I added raffia or wheat texture
- ☐ It's under 35 cm and ready for the table!

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