

How TO Decorate With Purple In French Styled Interiors

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Most people would shy away from purple, because it is so bold, and frankly it is a very hard color to decorate around. Here are just a couple ways to combine purple into your own home.

One of the first elements to decide upon is the upholstery. Upholstery is more expensive than paint, so deciding on a direction with either new furniture, or upholstering antiques or vintage furniture needs to be one of the first decisions that needs to be made for a room.



Take a good look at all the furniture that you already own and see what you really need. Invest in a great antique for your statement piece for each room. A great looking solid upholstered couch is a great investment for a living room. A great looking French desk can really make a study room dramatic. Any person can layer in the details of a room, but having one large scale mind blowing antique for each room can make it appear more expensive and luxurious.

Then decide what you can alter, and what you cannot. Upholstery can be changed. Wood furniture can be painted.

-French Louis [XV Settees](#)

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Consider Buying Salon Sets.- Here we see a fabulous [5 piece salon set](#) for \$1,600 . Buying sets can be a way of spreading out the furniture into two rooms. Use the sofa and two chairs in your living room, and the additional chairs in your bedroom.

-Buy Whole [French Parlor Sets](#) From Ebay

-Buying [chair sets](#) also allows you to line up chairs against the wall, making the most out of room. Work with furniture that you can customize yourself. Chairs are relatively easy to upholster. A [couple of my tips](#) for upholstery. Craigslist is a great way to find local upholsters and support small businesses.

-Transform that side chair with Upholstery [Fabric Spray Paint PLUM](#) \$11 Later you can always re-upholster it. Paint the frame of your french chair in a very dark purple gloss paint.

Consider Purple Velvet [In this post we show how rich velvet](#) can look in a French setting. Velvet has been known to be one of the most vibrant fabrics next to silk. Instead of a dark purple on the walls, consider a light lilac shade on the walls, with dark plum velvet upholstery. In the post, you will see the cover of Elle Decor features just one velvet accent chair in plum. You don't need a whole living room set in plum, rather just one piece. Consider re-upholstering a French accent chair in a deep shade of plum, while the rest of the interiors are based around soft lilacs.

-60" Wide [Stretch Velvet Plum](#) Fabric By The Yard \$9.

-Velvet [Purple Plum Curtain](#) Set \$30

-Avenue Six Willow Chair with [Purple Velvet Fabric](#)

-Hammond Side Chair, [Purple Velvet](#) \$139

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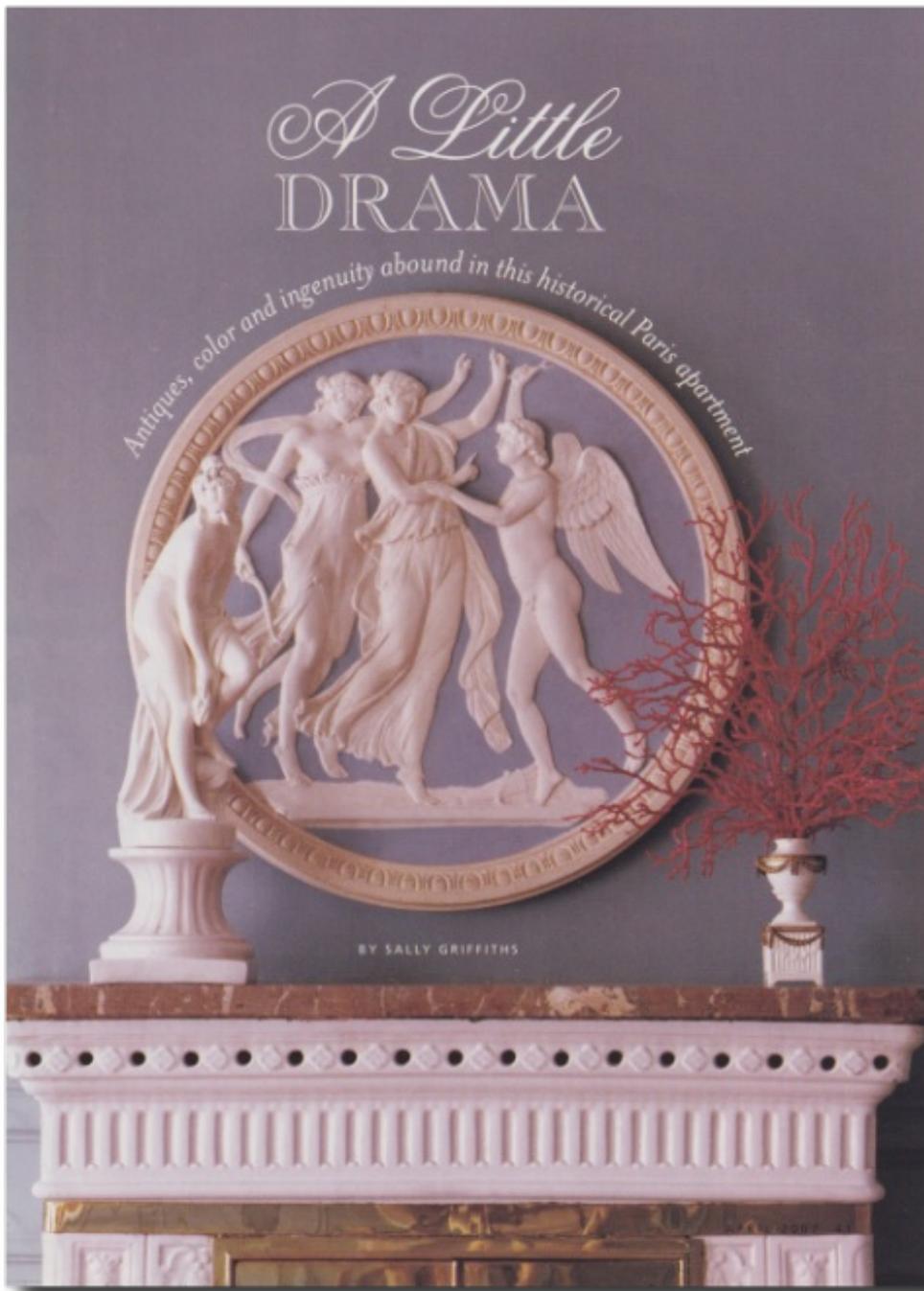
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Subdued shades of gold can add a touch of warmth to walls as in this bedroom. The stripe of orangey gold glows as it perks up the purple palette while remaining subtle. You can also dress up an earthy palette (orange – brown) with gold or use it with burgundy or red to double the richness. Picture Credit [Color Buzz](#)



Michael Coorengel and Jean Pierre Calvagrac own a gorgeous Parisian apartment located in the Hausmann building overlooking the Place de la Bastille. Their home features the most exquisite French panelled walls, and the best antique furniture. Their bold use of color gives their apartment a modern edge, while the sensational antiques add to the stately appearance.



In this photo we see a wall ornament with a vibrant hue of lilac. The walls are a muted shade of purple, and look how perfect the marble on the mantel looks against the shades of purple. Burnt red tones and accents of fire red look very rich against tones of purple. Use white with lighter tones, and gold with darker tones of purple.

Designer Steven Gambrel Also uses the color purple in his Sag Harbor Home. Look how he executes the color.
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Urns & Florals – An urn can make a dynamic impression. Use it as a centerpiece, or on top of a pedestal. Consider choosing an urn with deep colors that include pinks, lilacs and cobalt blues.

-EBAY Example -Champleve Enamel Sevres [Lidded Vase Tall Urn](#) Cherub Ormolu

-Pair [French Ormolu Porcelain](#) Bowls Dishes Urns Tureens

-Floral Fusion [Fruit Bowl](#) Set of 4 \$40

Drapery – Imagine pinch pleated panels of silk edged with soft fringe and accented with elaborate tassels and rope, hanging from a wrought iron pole with acorn finials framing a large French door opening on to a garden.

Color Selections- Combine purple with a sunny warm yellow or a soft gold, or consider eggplant with warmer tones of red or burnt orange.

Apple green and a vibrant cobalt blue work well as accents when paired with lavender.

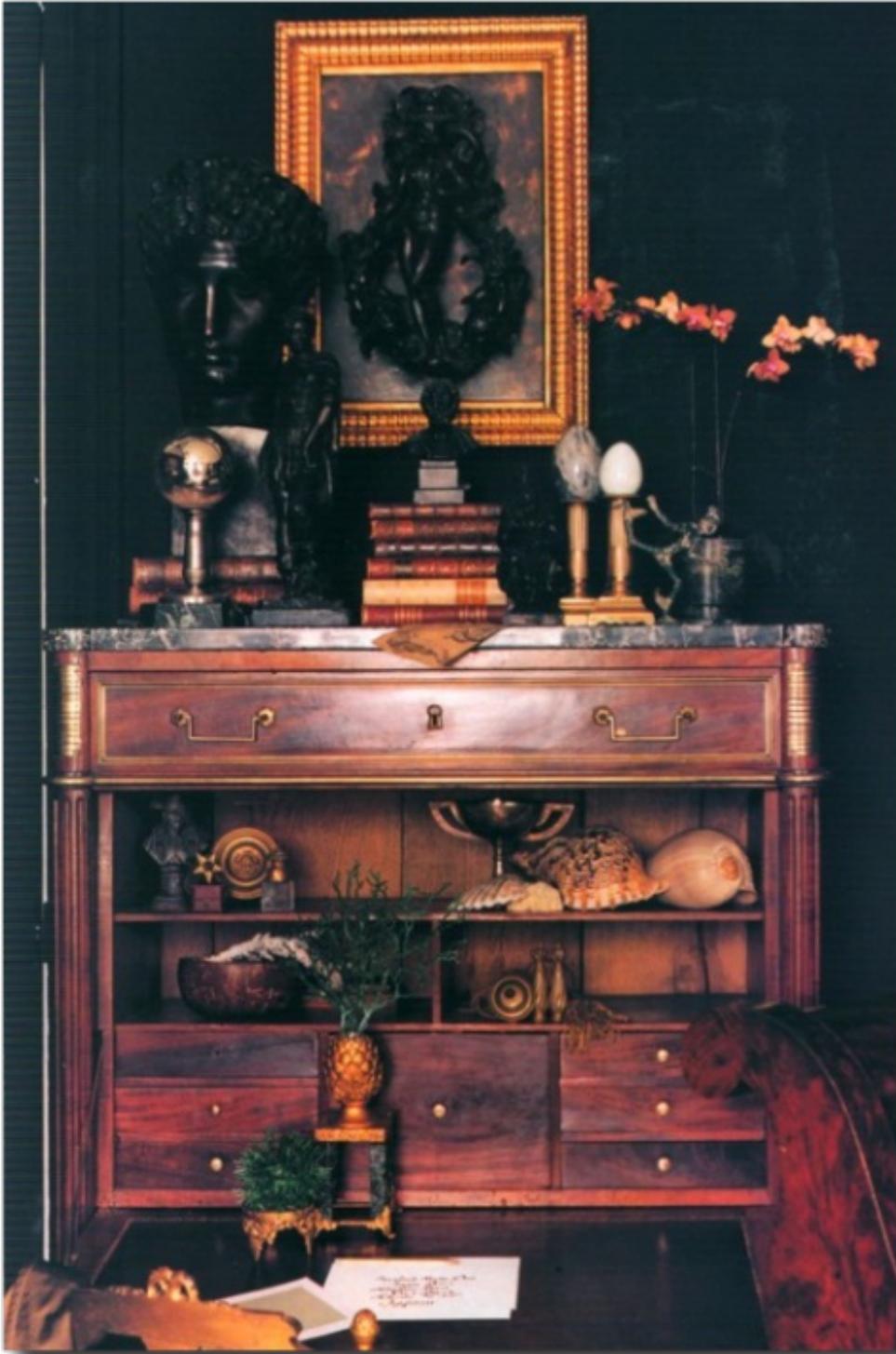
Cool gray tones or sharp black to set off patterns with painted furniture, wall murals, and or wall ornaments.





Additional Purple and Eggplant Home Decor:

- Chezmoi Collection 7 Pieces Solid Lavender [Purple Queen Set](#) \$65
- 1200 Thread Count Queen Size 4pc Egyptian Bed [Dark Purple](#) \$22
- Linden Sweden Wine Stem, Set of 4, [Transparent Purple](#) \$20
- Cathay Home Luxury Soft Microfiber [Sheet Set Eggplant](#) \$30
- Lifestyles French Tile Bedspreads, [King, Plum](#) \$106
- Artificial Triple-stem Phalaenopsis Orchid [Arrangement Lavender](#) \$40



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