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Village siesta



Inspired by

Vincent Van Gogh's 'Noon: Rest from Work (After Millet)'

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Vincent Willem Van Gogh (1853 – 1890) was a Dutch Post-Impressionist painter whose self portraits, landscapes, portraits and sunflowers have had a far-reaching influence for their colours, strong texturing and emotional impact.

'Noon: Rest from Work (After Millet)' has the clear, fresh hues of blue and yellow, and thick paint applied with the characteristic textured brushstrokes. It evokes a sense of respect for the underrated honesty of agricultural toil.

- Wes Dining Table, Rs 42,000, Cosonni Dining Chairs, Rs 8,000 onwards, Round Midnight Armchair, Rs 19,000, Mango Black Wooden Vase, Rs 6,000, Round Wooden Floor Light, Rs 11,000, Wooden Vase, Rs 1,800, White Bowl, Rs 520, Red, Blue & Yellow. Raw Silk Lagoon Cushions, Rs 550 each, Rajah Blue Plates, Rs 1,250 each, Rajah Blue Soup Bowls, Rs 550 each, Eisch Water Pitcher, Rs 2,800, Casablanca Blue Glasses, Rs 350 each, Lotus Fish Fork and Knife, set of 12, Rs 2,250, Turquoise Tulip Runner, Rs 2,800, Good Earth. Teal Blue Cushion, Rs 899, Zeba. Twig Candle Holder, Rs 900, Pillar Candle, Rs 225, Apartment 9. Wooden Jungle Junior Stalks, Rs 630 each, Details. Matka Silk Shawl, Rs 4,500, Green Patterned Carpet, Rs 22,645, Shyam Ahuja. Travelling Jute Bag, Rs 1,075, Fabindia. Lasper Flowers, Rs 80 for a bunch, Pears, Rs 60 per kg, Local Vendor. Paintings, created by Stylist. Book, Shoes, Stylist's own.

Refresh
Create a relaxing niche in a colour from the painting's palette, where you can read, relax, refresh and nap... as the painting suggests you do!

Try texture
Use furniture with semi-linear textured surfaces, such as this wine rack, to imitate Van Gogh's distinctive strokes.

Stack sticks
Bring in the outdoors, literally, with these unpolished, unfinished wooden sticks. Stack them together to infuse the country feel into your décor.

Get the blues
Paint the main wall of your room in the vivid blue of the sky in his painting and make your room a real-life canvas.

Feel the fields
Recreate the uneven bunch-patterned grass underfoot with this structured green carpet.

Cheat repeat
Be true to the style of a Van Gogh. Easy to replicate and pleasing to the eye, repeat strokes in hues of yellow, brown and ochre to gain the sense of this field.

Simplify
Choose from a variety of simple flowers like daisies, laspers and baby's breath to conjure that uncomplicated and calm spirit of a country life.

Rest your eyes
Retain the soothing mood of this painting by introducing a spot of white. A strong green and blue together need a visual relief to prevent them from overpowering a space.

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