Having grown up with the unpredictable and usually frigid October weather of Toronto, Canada, Sukkot was quite memorable. We wore down coats, hats (also known as toques) and cut-off gloves during every meal in the sukkah.

Now that we live in Israel, we sit in the sukkah with fans and strong air conditioning units to accommodate the hot temperature.

In both environments, hot and cold, it was always important to me to create a warm, fun and inviting look and design in the sukkah for my family to enjoy.

Here are some designs that I have used for my family’s sukkah and other events through my business which can help enhance your sukkah experience:

**One**
Greenery runner with candles and flowers (optional) in different size glass vases so that the wind does not blow out the flame.

*Photo and Design: Studio YAYA – Yarak Yarak Events Design*

**Two**
Flower runner where flowers can be placed in vases with various heights and sizes to give a dynamic look. You can also boost them with wood logs to provide the perfect touch for this holiday.

*Photo: Gilda Posner  Design: Shira Abelow*

**Three**
Color blocking flowers in identical size vases with different types of flowers to give a clean symmetrical look.

*Photo: Gilda Posner  Design: Happiness Through Flowers*
Four
Hanging glass balls with multicolored fresh flowers are always fun as everyone likes to shout out their favorite flower.

Photo: Gilad Kingsley Photography
Design: Happiness through Flowers

Five
Kids are always huge fans of balloons, but on Sukkot, it’s all about the fruit balloons. If you can find a great balloon twister/designer in your area, perhaps you can get them to make you a whole fruit salad to string up!

Photo: Ruti Grodzinsky Design: Designed by Ruti

Six
Photos of the family, past and present, bring in history and a personal edge that can be educational and informative.

Photo: KRikind Photography Design: Gilda Posner

Seven
Children can color on printed out pages of Mandala placemats. Once completed, these pages can be laminated for future use, or the kids can make them all over again next year! Illustrated above is just an example of how a placemat can provide a pop of color on a table.

Photo: KRikind Photography Design: Natalie Friedman-Weinberg

Eight
Simply tie a ribbon around each napkin, or for a more upgraded look, tie a string and slide in a sprig of rosemary or eucalyptus and attach a placecard to seat everyone happily and comfortably.

Photo: Yonit Schiller Photography Design: Gilda Posner

From our family to yours wishing you a Shana Tova and a beautiful Sukkot holiday.

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