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Resilience

FOCUS FOR FALL

Autumn is an active season of transition. It can bring an influx of inspirational ideas and clarity. Use this to your advantage by developing more emotional awareness through contemplative activities like journaling, enjoying nature, meditation, and spending quality time with others.

It's also a great time to reflect on what habits are no longer serving you. Choose projects and activities that feel nourishing and replenishing.

Expression and creativity will help you unblock stagnant energy. Enjoy yourself and approach your creative projects with humor and carefree abandon.

Take time to feed your soul!

"Choose projects and activities that feel nourishing and replenishing."

Fall routine DAILY ALIGNMENT TO THE SEASON

Day

Wake early
Open windows
Get outside for sunrise
Take a morning walk
Sip a warm drink

Night

Dim the lights at dinner

Turn off your phone and unplug

Go to bed early

One-day media detox

MAKING ROOM FOR REAL LIFE

One week before

- Pick a day.
- Choose at least two activities you can do that don't involve screens or media (which include books, podcasts, radio, magazines and social media). Tip: Pick one where you tend to lose track of time when you're doing it.
- If you're stumped, here are some ideas: forest bathe, garden, hike, paint, relax at the beach, do a craft, organize your closet, write, bike, batch cook, wash the dog, or clean.
- If you're feeling antsy about cutting off your news in case of an emergency, appoint a well-informed friend to notify you if there's any breaking news you need to know.

The day before

- Gather and set up supplies.
- Do all the screen-related things today to prep for tomorrow (like printing out directions or recipes) so you don't get sucked in.
- Hide all media to limit unconscious consumption and distraction.
- Turn off all those pesky notifications on your phone. Tomorrow your phone will simply be a phone, not a tiny computer.

Detox day

- Let loose and enjoy the day. Really throw yourself into what you're doing.
- Don't judge. If you slip up, just start again. Today is not about achieving anything. It's about exploring the real world around you and seeing what space appears when you limit how media shows up in it.

Autumn checklist

SENSORY INSPIRATION

Bring out the blankets and candles
Take a walk from sunset to dusk
Go on an early morning fog hike
Fill vases with mums and leafy branches
Guerilla garden native poppy seeds in sidewalk cracks
Simmer spiced apple cider in your slow cooker
Set up bird feeders
Get cozy by a fire
Hang a prism indoors

Set a designated time for news

Send a friend a care package

Have a leaf watching picnic

Meditation



SIMPLE GROUNDING

So many activities start again in the fall so it's easy to get ungrounded. **To fix that** in seconds go outside with your shoes off, ideally on grass or dirt but even concrete will do the trick. That's all you need to do.

If you want to extend your grounding session you can also:

- Sit on the ground and have a picnic
- Spend the day at a beach
- Garden

SeptemberNURTURE

Circle one word below as your nurturing focus for this month

	Adventure	Movement	Rest	
	Connection	Music	Ritual	
	Expression	Nature	Sleep	
	Love	Nourishment	Solitude	
	Mindfulness	Play	Touch	
	List seasonal activ	vities that align with you	ır focus word	
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October

Who brings warmth into your life?
How can you be more present in these relationships?

November

REVIEW

What can you do to foster more serenity in your life?
How can you bring more honesty into your creative practice?

Resources

PLANNER

Self-care planner for living more intentionally

https://www.habitrefresh.com/self-care-planner

WORKSHEETS

Free resources for starting your creative habit

habitrefresh.com/resources

FOREST BATHING

Forest bathing in the unknown: why now is the perfect time to start

https://www.habitrefresh.com/blog/forest-bathing