



Chemical Attraction

Stately and a little spooky, apothecary jars and bottles add mystique to your fall décor. BY KATHRYN DRURY WAGNER



STARTING AS EARLY AS THE 16TH CENTURY, pharmaceutical bottles were used for storage and display, according to the History of Pharmacy Museum at the University of Arizona College of Pharmacy. “Salt mouths” are the wide-mouthed versions, while “tinctures” are narrow, used for liquids. Whether they have paper labels or indented information, these intricate glassware pieces add vintage charm to a room. For details, see Sources, page 128.