



Essential Holiday Home Checklist

Outside Prep:

- Refresh landscaping and mulch
- Trim trees and bushes in anticipation of holiday lights & decorations
- Pressure wash driveway, walkways and pool decks
- Clean out gutters

Inside Prep: Common Areas

- Declutter, making room for holiday decorations
- Deep clean hard to reach places and eradicate dust bunnies
- Replace burnt out lightbulbs
- Prepare space for larger holiday decorations
- Deep clean carpeting and tile
- Deep clean upholstery

Inside Prep: Bathrooms

- Check plumbing and ensure all is in working order before company arrives
- Clear space for out of town guests to store toiletries
- Stock up on toilet paper, tissues, soap, shampoo and conditioner
- Remove soap scum build up, deep clean tile and consider re-coloring grout
- Keep bathroom cleaning supplies under the sink for quick clean ups
- Stock the linen closet with plenty of bath towels, hand towels and bath mats
- Consider adding extra over the door towel hooks

Inside Prep: Bedrooms

- Clean out closets and drawers making room for your holiday guest's clothing
- Launder sheets prior to guest arrival
- Provide beside bottled water for guests
- Consider adding hooks to back of doors for extra storage

Inside Prep: In The Kitchen

- Sharpen knives
- Keep disposable dishes, cups and cutlery on hand for impromptu snacks and meals
- Replace old spices with new fresh ones (over time spices lose their flavor)
- Clean oven and line with spill protectors
- Stock up on leftover storage containers, plastic wrap, foil, and muffin tins
- Keep grocery store shopping lists handy
- Stock up on garbage bags

Inside Prep: In the Dining Room

- Polish silver, prepare formal china and crystal
- Add dining room table leaves if necessary
- Dry clean and launder tablecloths and napkins
- Replace taper candles
- Pre-set formal dining table the evening before major events or dinners
- Discretely keep stain removers nearby

Inside Prep: Pet Areas

- Deep clean bedding
- Stock up on food and treats
- Launder and wash toys
- Deep clean carpet and tile in pet areas to remove odors

Inside Prep: Finishing Touches

- Stock up on wrapping paper, gift cards, ribbon tape, scissors, tissue papers
- On gift opening day, consider keeping an emergency "plug and play" kit nearby stocked with batteries of all sizes, scissors, screwdrivers, etc. This makes opening packaging easy and using new electronics a breeze, especially when batteries are not included!
- Consider adding seasonal scented room fresheners to common areas, bedrooms and bathrooms
- Test fire alarms and replace batteries
- Change air filters



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