

Entertaining Ideas

Host A Memorable Affair That's Easy To Prepare

(NAPSA)—Throwing a party at home can be a great way to get together with family and friends, but some people shy away from hosting parties because they think at-home soirees are expensive and time-consuming.

It's true that you could spend plenty of time and money planning over-the-top gatherings, but you can also employ a few easy tips to host a memorable affair that is easy to prepare.

- **Pump up the volume.** The right music can instantly make any gathering more festive, so before your guests come over, turn on some tunes. People will immediately feel the festive vibe and know a good party is in store.

- **Say cheese.** Celebrations are all about memories, so make sure you capture them. Put a few disposable cameras on the table and encourage guests to snap pictures of all the candid smiles that happen at the party. Then, frame these photos and use them as easy, thoughtful table decorations for your next gathering. As you do this year after year, it's a blast to relive memories and laugh at passé haircuts and bad fashion choices from years past.

- **Simple and delicious.** People usually end a festive meal with one of two things—a cup of



There are easy ways to take the work out of hosting parties.

coffee or a cocktail. You can combine the two by serving Baileys with a hint of Coffee, a new flavor of Baileys Irish Cream. Your guests are likely to love the rich taste, and you'll be happy with how easy it is to serve—just pour over ice and enjoy—no coffee makers and no tricky cocktail recipes.

- **Dish out chores.** Rent dinnerware from a catering company. Many will come to your door before the party to drop off the supplies and will swing by after the party to pick up all the dirty dishes, cutting clean-up time in half.

- **Safety first.** If you serve alcohol at your celebration, be sure to keep taxi numbers by the phone or arrange for designated drivers before the party starts to ensure all guests have a safe ride home.

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