Making Your Home Picture Perfect For The Holidays

(NAPSA)—Whether you decorate for the holidays in traditional Currier-and-Ives fashion or in the most minimally modernist manner, there are creative ways to revit up a notch or two this year.

It may be easier to formulate your decorating plan now with creative tips from Hunter Douglas Window Fashions.

• Decorating can be simple. "Using wide ribbon, 'gift wrap' throw pillows like a package or take ready-made scarves accented with a little boxwood to make great indoor wreaths," says Sally Morse, Director of Creative Services for Hunter Douglas. "Glittering mercury balls from the 1930s or other cherished ornaments can be strung on a garland with invisible fishing line and draped over or on top of your curtain rod."

Another way to create a beautiful window design regardless of decorating style is with Luminette® Privacy Sheers from Hunter Douglas. "These offer both soft fabric sheers and privacy in one fell swoop," says Morse. "With neutral white fabric rotating vanes at the rear, they present a consistent look on the outside, and because they are sheers and available in a subtle palette of neutrals and gently saturated tones, they work with all colors and patterns on the inside. What's more, the filtered light they deliver tends to warm up short winter days and adds a gorgeous glow to any room."

• To dress up dining chairs and protect them, Morse suggests attaching gold tassels to the four corners of a Christmas towel and draping it over the seat. She also suggests hanging ornaments on chandeliers and placing candle rings on the bobeches.



For a warm gorgeous glow when decorating for the holidays, choose soft fabric sheers that also offer light control and privacy for the windows.

"When it comes to the centerpiece," Morse says, "fill a crystal bowl with fresh cranberries, adding one aspirin per bag, and place fresh flowers with cut stems."

• "Windows really are the focal point of every decorating scheme," adds Morse. They draw attention to a view, the holiday treasures you've lined up on the sill or, at night, reflect the mirrors and artwork on opposite walls to create a masterpiece all their own.

More decorating tips include replacing tiebacks with garlands and tassels, using garlands as fringe on Remembrance® window shades and Provenance® woven wood shades or twisted on the bottom rail of a Modern Precious Metals™ aluminum blind. Hanging ribbons stapled with ornaments at various heights from the windows is another idea.

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