

Holiday Decorating Tips

A Stress-Free And Fun Holiday Season

(NAPSA)—Getting your family in the yuletide spirit doesn't have to be stressful. To do so, you could make homemade candies, knit stockings and hang mistletoe, but only if you enjoy those activities.

According to Christopher Radko, the world-renowned ornament maker and holiday home designer to the stars, "You can bring in the sparkle and cheer without all the fuss."

Here are Radko's stress-free and fun steps for getting your home ready for the holidays:

1. Take down the boxes marked "holiday decorations"—today!

2. Decorate with ornaments long before the tree. Lay them on tables randomly or in a beautiful glass or ceramic bowl.

3. Bring ancestral style into the season with your great-grandmother's ornaments. If you don't have old family ornaments, check out Christopher Radko's 20th Anniversary nostalgia ornaments on hsn.com and start new family traditions.

4. Substitute the holiday classics for swinging holiday tunes to get the family in the spirit.

5. Boil cinnamon sticks in apple juice for a delicious holiday scent, then serve it to the family later.

6. Change out the everyday linens to earth tones with red and green accents.

7. Replace plain white candles with red, burgundy or green candles. Drape faux pearls and beads



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or use broken ornaments as the base.

8. Use mismatched glasses and goblets or hollow pumpkins, gourds and cabbage to hold votive candles.

9. Replace white light bulbs with red and green bulbs throughout the house.

10. Pick wildflowers and pine cones and strew around existing plants.

"Remember, the holidays are the time of year when you can't have too much cheer," says Radko.

For more information and other holiday decorating ideas, tune into HSN and hsn.com where Christopher Radko regularly introduces new holiday decorations and innovative decorating tips.