



# Holiday Hints

## Protecting Cherished Keepsakes

(NAPSA)—When it comes to holiday decorations, the more the merrier—but what do you do with those decorations when the holidays are over?

Protecting holiday collectibles from discoloration, tarnish and dulling may be easier with some tips from Steve Stanton, a storage design expert and president of The Ultimate Christmas Storage Collection:

- Choose boxes with acid-free, heavy duty chipboard construction throughout. The acid in carton boxes and newsprint typically used to store ornaments can cause colors to dull.

- Choose acid-free (archival) packaging supplies such as shredded bond paper, tissue paper and use Desi-Pac® to reduce humidity, which is very damaging to hand-painted glass ornaments. Humidity indicators are also available to place inside each storage box.

- Removable trays make it easier to organize your collection.

“Collectors are paying top dollar for intricately hand painted ornaments to display and eventually pass on to their children. They understand the importance of protecting these heirlooms under the right conditions,” says Stanton.



**Specially designed boxes help cherished Christmas collectibles maintain their heirloom quality.**

The Ultimate Christmas Storage Collection, a division of I Was Framed, features antique styling and romance through the use of decorative fabric patterns that date back to the 1800's. Fabrics come in a variety of festive solids and holiday prints, with five Christmas designs and options for the storage of Easter and Halloween collectibles.

Gift boxes range from \$15 to \$28. Christmas storage boxes with partitions and trays range from \$25 to a trunk for \$200.

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