Outdoor Christmas
DECORATING CHECKLIST

Your step-by-step guide to a festive front porch, door and yard

1. PLAN YOUR LOOK

- [ ] Pick a color scheme: classic red and green, white and gold, or rustic natural
- [ ] Walk around your home at night and note your focal points
- [ ] Measure the doorway, windows and railings for garland
- [ ] Find your outdoor outlets and plan where cords will run
- [ ] Write a shopping list before you head out

2. GATHER YOUR SUPPLIES

- [ ] Outdoor-rated lights and extension cords
- [ ] An outdoor timer or smart plug
- [ ] Gutter clips and outdoor adhesive hooks
- [ ] Zip ties and floral wire
- [ ] Weatherproof garland, wreaths and ribbon
- [ ] Batteries for lanterns and flameless candles

3. DECK THE FRONT DOOR

- [ ] Hang a wreath on the door
- [ ] Frame the doorway with garland
- [ ] Add potted trees or planters on each side
- [ ] Layer a festive doormat over a neutral one
- [ ] Set out lanterns with flameless candles

4. LIGHT IT UP

- [ ] Test every strand before it goes up
- [ ] Start at the outlet and work outward
- [ ] Clip lights along rooflines and gutters
- [ ] Wrap porch posts, railings, trees and shrubs
- [ ] Set your timer to turn on at dusk

5. FINISHING TOUCHES

- [ ] Line the walkway with lights or luminaries
- [ ] Hang wreaths in the windows on ribbon
- [ ] Add garland to the mailbox or lamp post
- [ ] View your display from the street at night
- [ ] Snap a photo and enjoy the glow!

My Notes & Wish List

Merry Christmas & happy decorating!

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