



Subtle Simplicity

OFTEN, THE SIMPLER THE BETTER, AND FOR HOLIDAY ENTERTAINING, UNDERSTATED WHISPERS OF THE SEASON CAN MAKE A LASTING IMPRESSION.



❁ The owners enjoy entertaining during the holidays, so they keep their rooms simple and clutter-free to host many guests. A plain wreath of greenery introduces the theme as guests enter to find a fresh fir tree with a homemade star on top and two tree forms atop the buffet in the dining room—all bare but for the single garlands winding around them. Candles bring ambience and a sweet scent to the room, but the guests are the main attraction in this cottage setting.





Just as the front porch reflects the laid-back attitude of the homeowners, so does the classic approach to celebrating the holidays. Fresh greenery and foliage that look as though they were scooped from the yard are the fanciest decoration you'll find. China and crystal are subtly placed throughout the home—not touting a grand occasion but rather a comfortable and cozy kind of Christmas.

candlelit glow

When decorating for the holiday season—whether your style is elegant and sophisticated or simple and classic—keep in mind the importance of candlelight. There's something magical about lighting a room with the soft glow of candles on a cold winter's night.

