

## Christmas COUNTDOWN CHECKLIST

things to do....

BEFORE OCTOBER  ☐ Discuss plans w/ family & friends. ☐ Make travel reservations.	<ul> <li>☐ Start decorating.</li> <li>☐ Buy a live tree.</li> <li>☐ Go over menus.</li> <li>☐ Order your turkey, chicken or ham.</li> </ul>
STARTING IN OCTOBER	TWO WEEKS BEFORE CHRISTMAS
<ul><li>☐ Create a calendar for relevant dates.</li><li>☐ Update holiday cards.</li></ul>	<ul><li>Ensure mails are sent.</li><li>Shop for non-perishables.</li></ul>
<ul><li>☐ Shop for new cards &amp; wrapping paper.</li><li>☐ Consider overnight plans for guests.</li><li>☐ Start baking.</li></ul>	A WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS
STARTING IN NOVEMBER	<ul><li>☐ Perform thorough cleaning.</li><li>☐ Check children's toys for the little ones.</li></ul>
☐ Create a master gift list.	THREE DAYS BEFORE
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<ul> <li>☐ Create a budget.</li> <li>☐ Start shopping.</li> </ul> A MONTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS ☐ Shop online. ☐ Start wrapping gifts. ☐ Start addressing cards. ☐ Take a quick stock of your utensils.	☐ Get fresh ingredients. ☐ Set the table.  TWO DAYS BEFORE ☐ Start cooking.

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