



Christmas Countdown Checklist

One Week Before

- Deep clean your house.
- Clean out your refrigerator.
- Make sure your camcorder and camera are in working order and filled with batteries.
- Select and set aside Christmas CDs.
- Purchase any last-minute gifts.

Two Days Before

- Shop for fresh ingredients. Hit the store for vegetables or fruit you need for meals.
- Buy fresh flowers. Blooms have time to open up, and they'll still be lush and fragrant.
- Set the table. Put a sticky note on each platter that states what dish you plan to serve on it.
- Start cooking. Prepare main courses and anything that can be made for a couple of days.
- Make holiday flower arrangements and centerpieces.

December 24, Christmas Eve

- Finish last-minute wrapping.
- Finish cooking make-ahead recipes and make a timeline for the next day.
- Have children write a note, put out cookies and milk for Santa.
- Eat the cookies, drink the milk and fill stockings.
- Remove frozen Christmas food from freezer and take the

December 25, Christmas Day

- Prepare Christmas breakfast
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