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MAKE IT MOVIE NIGHT

Many people have turned going to the theater into a Christmas Day tradition. Hollywood has noticed, holding many major blockbusters for around the holiday season.

If you aren't excited about any of this year's releases, why not host a holiday movie night from the comfort of your own home? From the Griswolds to Charlie Brown and his friends, we all have our favorite Christmas movie characters.

Enjoying the classic holiday films of our time is a great way to spend time together with friends and family members.

Here's how to throw an amazing holiday movie party that will surely turn into an annual event:

Step 1: The Movies

You can't have a memorable holiday movie party without great holiday movies. Plan to play two to three movies during your get-together. If

guests can't stay for that long, choose one.

Poll your guests ahead of the party to gauge their interests in film options. Are they in the mood for slapstick holiday humor or a sentimental tear-jerker. Keep the movie list a surprise.

Keep you guests waiting in anticipation until you hit play and watch their faces as they start quoting their favorite parts before the movie even starts.

Step 2: The Food

Treating your guests to more substantial treats, such as grilled steak tips or chicken wings, will help satisfy their cravings while they take in the flick.

You also can go with more of a potluck style, asking guests to bring along their favorite appetiz-

ers and drinks. Just make sure you plan accordingly with the amount of food needed for the number of guests.

Step 3: The Trivia

Every great holiday movie has great trivia associated with it. Consider turning your viewing party into a game of sorts, full of pauses to answer questions about upcoming scenes or about factual tidbits on the movie's star actor.

Divvy up your guests into teams and have them battle it out for a prize. Add a scoreboard on a dry-erase board to keep track of points.

Your friends and family members will admire your creativity, and your holiday movie party will become a must-attend for years to come.



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