

Outside Decorating Can Provide Fun for Family on Holidays

It's Christmas — the happiest season of them all—so let your home sing out this message to all who pass by.

Decorating the outside of the house can provide real family fun and will say to the world that here is a family filled with Christmas spirit.

Even the simplest decorating theme can convey your holiday greeting. Particularly effective is a doorway decoration for this

"Merry Christmas and Welcome" to all who enter.

There are limitless possibilities in holiday-mood doorway decor. Adapt the theme to the style of your entrance-way.

For the traditional type home, a formal swag of evergreen boughs hung over the doorway is very effective.

This swag can be sparkled with colored Christmas lights or ornaments. Finish this decoration

by centering a large Christmas wreath of glistening holly on the door.

Decorating the door of a contemporary home calls for a more modern treatment.

Outlining the door with greens and lights follows the modern lines nicely. To do this tack a 12-inch strip of chicken wire around the door. Tuck evergreen boughs into the wire until it is completely covered and then place

lights in the greens.

Owners of Early American homes can call upon all the decorating themes of a truly old-fashioned Christmas for their holiday decor.

An oversize candy cane, a red felt stocking holding little gift-wrapped boxes, a traditional wreath, tall make-believe candles flanking the doorway, a huge card saying "Merry Christmas" will add a gala Christmas touch

to the doorway.

For every home, a spray of evergreen boughs fastened together with wire and trimmed with ornaments or pine cones and a huge red bow is an easy-to-make door decoration.

Nothing creates a bright Christmas mood outdoors like strings of lights hung in evergreen trees, outlining the front porch or festooned around windows and doorway.

Windows, too, should come in for their share of cheery Christmas decoration for they will provide two-way enjoyment—from the inside and outside!

If Nature doesn't provide a white Christmas, try making your own! It's easy with the new liquid plastic snow that can be sprayed on window panes to simulate snow piled in the corners. Or use stencils to cut-out Santas, angels, reindeer or other Christmas motifs and spray with the aerosol can of snow.

If your windows boast shutters, try decorating them with colorful Christmas cut-outs of angels and stars.

So this year plan your outdoor decorations early and add to the cheeriness of the holiday season with a gaily decorated home that will heighten the happy Christmas mood of all who cross your threshold.

The topmost ornament on a Christmas tree is called a giftel.

Legend has it that bright colored ornaments, the candles and the lights of the Christmas trees represent the new birth and bloom of growing things. Ancient myths tell the story of many trees that bloom at Christmas time.

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