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DREAM DINNER PARTY TIPS

**1.** The best dinner parties happen when the host has fun! Keep it simple and enjoy yourself.

**2.** Make party-day easy: choose make-ahead recipes.



**3.** Make a plan and follow it. Choose the food, drinks, music and decorations ahead of time.



**4.** Set the guest list and send out invites 3 weeks in advance, especially for the busy holiday season.

**5.** Go potluck. Guests love to show off their own recipes... less work for you!

**6.** Make a playlist that reflects your dinner party theme or menu. Serving pasta? Try an Italian-inspired playlist.

**7.** Set up a buffet style meal. Guests enjoy mingling while serving themselves.



**8.** Create a menu around seasonal ingredients. Visit the farmer's market for in-season produce and showcase it in your dishes.



**9.** Tidy up, but don't go crazy! Turn off lights and close doors to areas that are off-limits.

**10.** If you get overwhelmed, delegate! Ask someone to take coats or pour wine to help out.