

THE ULTIMATE NEW YEAR'S

PARTY CHECKLIST

1 MONTH *before*

- Pick a date for your party!
- Make a guest list.
- Invite those guests! If you really want to go all out, we have an idea of where you can order some letterpress invitations.
- Make reservations for big-ticket items—party tents, restaurants, activities, etc.
- Pick a theme! This is always a fun idea for New Year's Eve.

2-3 WEEKS *before*

- Assemble your food and grocery lists.
- Your party's food and drinks will look great in custom plates and custom cups, hint hint.
- Plan out any fun decorations or tablescapes you might want to make.

1 WEEK *before*

- Time to make a playlist! Ask friends to submit their favorite songs as well to keep things interesting. The only song you really need is Auld Lang Syne.
- If you're doing things outside, check the weather and come up with alternative plans if needed.
- Find some party games for either indoors or outdoors.

3...2...1... *party!*

- Prepare any remaining food. Keep cold food in the fridge until the first guests arrive; prepare hot food last and keep it in a warmed oven.
- Fill coolers up with beverages and ice.
- Set out party favors—for New Year's Eve, we're partial to matches and sparklers.
- If you're watching the ball drop on TV, make sure the channel is set in advance.
- Set out food, cups, napkins, plates, and utensils.
- Turn on the music and have a ball!

1-2 DAYS *before*

- If it's a house party, clean up! Make sure everything is nice and tidy for your guests.
- Let your neighbors know—and invite them over! This is always nice to do, but is especially important if you live in a shared building.
- Get out your tables, chairs, and decorations.
- Set aside some extra bins for trash.

