

THE ULTIMATE CHECKLIST *for* HOSTING THE BEST SUMMER BBQ

2 WEEKS BEFORE

- ☐ Order decor to match your party theme! You'll need napkins, can coolers, cups, plates, and shot glasses.
- ☐ Invite guests! Make cute invitations to match the theme of your summer BBQ Party!
- ☐ Start rearranging your outdoor area so there is room for people to mingle, eat, and drink.

1 WEEK BEFORE

- ☐ Get out all your gear and tools. Grab your spatulas, tongs, timers, thermometers, serving dishes, etc.
- ☐ Get the grill out and make sure you have fuel to cook those burgers and brats!
- ☐ Haul out any extra seating needed. Plan the menu.
- ☐ Make a grocery list of all the essentials you'll need

1 DAY BEFORE

- ☐ Grocery Shopping! Pick up the essentials for all things summer BBQ-ing— meat, condiments, fruit, drinks, desserts, etc. (Pro tip: Don't forget to buy ice!)
- ☐ Start prepping any food that will stay good in the meantime.
- ☐ Start marinating any meat you'll need for tomorrow's BBQ!
- ☐ Decide where everything will go - where the bar will be (preferably in the shade), where the food/ grill set-up will be, etc.
- ☐ Make sure you have some fun games to play! (our personal recommendation is our 'Guess the Guest' napkin!)
- ☐ Make a playlist.

DAY OF THE BBQ

- ☐ Start Set up. Get those folding chairs and tables out.
- ☐ Decorate! Those themed decorations will come in handy and will tie everything together.
- ☐ Get the grill going - fire that baby up. It's called a summer BBQ for a reason!
- ☐ Set up the Bar Area
- ☐ Set out food - pour chips into bowls, prep condiments, sides, and appetizers so they're ready to go when guests arrive.
- ☐ Set up a self-serve station for guests to have easy access to alllll the food (Pro tip: Use our place cards to label what each food item is).

TIME TO PARTY!

- ☐ Play that playlist you prepped - set the mood
- ☐ Welcome guests - let's get the party started!
- ☐ Monitor the grill
- ☐ Cook and serve food about 30 minutes after guests arrive (trust us, they'll be hungry!)
- ☐ Most importantly: have fun!
- ☐ Once your summer BBQ is wrapping up, send guests home with some leftovers! Our custom boxes are the perfect way to send guests home for a little snack for later.

BARBECUE PARTY!