

The Christmas Garland Planner

Measure your spots, pick a look and hang your garland in the right order

1. Measure Your Spots

Write each number down before you shop, so the garland fits the spot and you buy the right length.

What to check	Your answer	Why it matters
Stair banister length (feet)		Add 1 ft per step for a swag
Door frame: width and height		Sets how many feet you need
Window or cabinet width		Short garlands fit best here
Nearest outlet or battery plan		Plug-in or battery lights
How you will hang it		Hooks, clips, tape or wire
Budget for garland		Sets your shopping list

2. Choose One Look

Pick one look and stick to it. Circle your choice, then shop only for it.

Look	Style	Pairs well with
Classic green	Pre-lit pine or eucalyptus	Red bows and warm lights
Snowy white	Flocked garland or snowflakes	Silver and neutral decor
Cozy farmhouse	Orange slices, pine cones, felt	Wood and plaid
Soft and pretty	Velvet bows or berries	Burgundy and gold
Fun and bright	Felt balls, gingerbread, bells	Kids and kitchens

3. How It Hangs (Garland Map)

Spot	How it stays up	Check
Stair banister	Zip ties or floral wire every 2 ft	
Door frame	Removable hooks at the corners	
Window	Adhesive hooks or a tension rod	
Cabinets or shelf edge	Clear tape or small hooks	

Lit garland	Run the cord out of sight	
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4. Shopping Budget

Item	Length / qty	Price	Done
Main garland			
Second garland or accent			
Hooks, ties or wire			
Bows or ribbon			
Total			

- Spend first on the garland you will see most.
- Keep a little buffer for hooks, batteries and ties.

5. Dressing Order

- Fluff and shape the garland first, branch by branch.
- Hang it and check it is even from across the room.
- Add lights second and hide the cord.
- Tuck in bows, berries or ornaments last.
- Step back and look from the doorway.

6. Safety and Final Checklist

- Keep cords away from walkways and pets.
- Use battery lights where outlets are far.
- Never wrap a plug-in cord under a rug.
- Check the hooks hold the weight before you hang.
- Take a photo once it is finished.
- Store garland in a box so it keeps its shape next year.