

The New Year Home Decor Planner

Pick a look, plan the party zones and set up in the right order

1. Pick Your Party Zones

Decide where guests will actually spend the evening, then decorate only those spots.

Zone	Your plan	Why it matters
Entry or front door		First look guests get
Table or buffet		Where everyone gathers
Drink station		Keeps the kitchen clear
Photo corner		Where the midnight photos happen
Lighting plan		Warm glow beats overhead light
Total budget		Sets your shopping list

2. Choose One Color Story

Repeat one palette in three places and the room looks planned. Circle your choice.

Look	Colors	Pairs well with
Classic glam	Black, gold and white	Balloons, sequins, candles
Champagne	Gold, cream and soft pink	Flutes, flowers, warm lights
Silver night	Silver, white and navy	Mirror ball, fairy lights
Cozy	Warm white and gold	Candles, star lights, throws

3. Setup Map

Decoration	Where it goes	Check
Banner	Above a mantel, bar or doorway	
Balloon arch	Corner or wall behind the table	
Curtain or star lights	Blank wall, shelves, mantel	
Foil fringe backdrop	Photo corner, a few inches off the wall	
Taper candles and runner	Center of the table	

Tray and glasses	Drink station	
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4. Shopping and Budget

Item	Budget	Notes	Done?
Main backdrop			
Lighting			
Table pieces			
Batteries and tape			
Glasses and props			
Total			

- Spend first on the piece guests see when they walk in.
- Keep a little buffer for batteries, tape and extra balloons.

5. Setup Order

- Hang the banner and backdrop first.
- Put up the balloon arch the morning of the party.
- Add lights next and test every strand.
- Set the table, candles and runner.
- Style the drink tray and glasses last.
- Step back and look from the door.

6. Midnight Checklist

- Chill the glasses and the drinks.
- Put props and a phone stand in the photo corner.
- Switch candles and lights on with the remote.
- Keep cords away from walkways and pets.
- Take a photo once it is done.
- Pack everything flat for next year.