

Secrets of Awesome Christmas Decorating

The holidays are all hussle and bussle, and who needs more stress? There are secret rules, however, to help you decorate your house, and at Davishill Nursery, we'll let you in on them!

First of all, contrast your house colour for the best curb appeal. Light coloured houses should use shiny and bold colours for depth, while dark houses need light and bright to make them welcoming and warm.

Second, make your front entrance welcoming with containers and greenery. A wreath should be ¾ the width of your front door, to bring it in scale with the door—double door, double wreaths. If you can't decide where to put a bow on your wreath, then placing it at 10 o'clock always works, and looks classic. And containers are great accents for the front of the house, but should be at least 2/3 of the height of your entrance door or the wall they're up against. The taller the better, and the more dramatic, so be brave.

Third, always use three colours for your containers. A main makes a statement, such as red, and sets off the accent—such as lime green and a third adds depth—like silver. A single colour can be dramatic too, in that case use different textures to add depth.

Lastly, at Christmas, less is not more, MORE is more! So look at your space with fresh eyes and try décor where you've never tried before. Swags on coach lights, wreaths on windows, trees on windowsills....there is always something new to try.

So, let the decorating begin!