

# THANKSGIVING Checklists



### Thanksgiving Checklist

### **1 MONTH BEFORE**

- 🔿 Make guest list
- 🔵 Invite guests
- Plan Thanksgiving dinner menu
- 🔵 Decide on a theme
- 🔿 Order rental items

### 2-3 WEEKS BEFORE

- Order turkey
- Review recipes
- 🔵 Check kitchen tools
- Create grocery shopping list
- Order hard-to-find items
- Shop for non-perishable stems
- Shop for freezer items
- Organize your freezer
- Shop for decor items

### **1 WEEK BEFORE**

- 🔵 Confirm attendee list
- Create a cooking schedule
- Shop for dairy
- Make freezer-friendly items
- Check storage containers

### **3-5 DAYS BEFORE**

- Start thawing frozen turkey
- Shop for perishable items
- 🔵 Clean the house

### **2 DAYS BEFORE**

- Thaw turkey (cold water method)
- Have recipes ready
- Chop vegetables
- O Measure out spices
- O Prep salads

### DAY BEFORE

- O Brine or marinate the turkey
- Make ahead side dishes
- O Prepare appetizers
- Set the table
- Ready the servingware
- 🔘 Last minute clean

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### Thanksgiving Day Checklist

### MORNING

- 🔵 Thaw bread and desserts
- Prep veggies
- Prep sides
- 🔵 Assemble sides

#### EARLY AFTERNOOON

- Start roasting the turkey
- Make turkey stock
- C Line up sides
- 🔿 Make gravy
- 🔿 Reheat sides
- 🔿 Set out drinks
- Set out appetizers

#### **BEFORE SERVING**

- $\bigcirc$  Put food on the table
- O Distribute serving utensils
- Carve the turkey
- $\bigcirc$  Top off beverages
- Close down the kitchen

#### AFTER

- O Make a clean up plan
- C Freeze what you can't eat immediately
- ) Recycle leftovers

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### Thanksgiving Dinner Menu



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# Recipe and Cooking List

RECIPE	ΤΥΡΕ	COOKING TIME

## Shopping List

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