

Holiday Help

Easy Holiday Home Decorating Tips

(NAPSA)—Family, friends and good times. The holidays are here again. While your holiday budget may not be what it was in years past, there's no reason to trim back your holiday decor. All it takes is a little imagination and some inspiration from the decorating experts at Rust-Oleum. Here are a few holiday ideas to inspire you:

- **Revive last year's decorations with new colors.** You don't need to spend a fortune on store-bought decorations to add a little sparkle to this holiday season. Change the color palette of older ornaments and decorations with a coat of Rust-Oleum Ultra Cover 2X spray paint in colors such as Colonial Red, Hunter Green, Key Lime or Apple Red. Available in over 70 colors, it offers twice the coverage of competitive brands, so you'll be able to complete twice the projects with one can and get twice the compliments.

- **Decorate your entryway for the holidays.** In addition to stringing holiday lights, use spray paint to create an impressive pathway to your home's entrance. Paint a wreath silver or gold for a contemporary holiday look. Or add a whimsical touch to patio planters. Use painter's tape to guide you in painting alternating red and white stripes. Your planters will look like candy canes that came straight from the North Pole.

- **Create a snowman door-stop.** Transform a brick or paver into a festive doorstop for under \$10. Clean well and paint with a coat of Rust-Oleum Universal in Gloss Pure White. When dry, give your snowman earmuffs. Hold the brick or paver vertically and glue black puff balls on both sides of the brick. Connect them with a



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black pipe cleaner across the top to mimic earmuffs. Next, add a face. Draw eyes and a mouth with a marker and glue on a button nose. Tie on a small piece of fabric for a scarf and you have a snowman doorstop. Makes a great gift, too!

- **Count down to the holidays with a chalkboard calendar.** Use pieces of wood from your local craft store, or from around your home, and coat them with Rust-Oleum Chalkboard Paint. The tint base gives you an array of color options such as Fresco Red, School House Green, Peapod Green and Banner Blue. It creates a writable, erasable chalkboard surface that's perfect to count down the days until Hanukkah or Christmas. Erase and use again year after year!

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