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| <p>JANUARY 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>HOME STAGING FOR SMALL SPACES</p> <p>For small homes, staging is a strategic selling approach that can transform a space, making it appear more spacious and open. By highlighting the selling features and focal points, you can create a winning impression.</p> | <p>HOME STAGING FOR SMALL SPACES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating a good first impression is crucial when selling your home. By welcoming the buyers with a sense of warmth and comfort as they step into your home, you're setting the stage for a successful sale. Ensure the front entrance is sparkling clean and inviting. Add potted flowers on the porch or hang a lovely wreath on the door to enhance the appeal. Organize and declutter. Remove items that no longer serve a purpose in your home. Store, discard, or donate them as needed. Create a storage system for the remaining items to keep everything in order. Keep furniture minimal and arrange it to create a smooth traffic flow. Choose a focal point to accentuate the room. Stick to light-colored walls, such as shades of sand and beige. Also, consider buying more lights or increasing the wattage of light bulbs throughout the house for a brighter and more inviting atmosphere. | <p>JULY 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>ELEVATE YOUR HOME'S CURB APPEAL</p> <p>Maintaining the exterior appearance of your home is crucial as it creates the first impression on visitors. You can enhance the curb appeal of your home by doing simple weekend projects such as:</p> | <p>ELEVATE YOUR HOME'S CURB APPEAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rake leaves, trim overgrown trees and shrubs, mow your lawn, and add mulch to the planting beds and paths. Fill large planters with in-season flowers or foliage plants and place them by the front door area. Use a pressure washer to remove dirt, mold, and mildew from the windows, siding, roof, deck, and driveway. Consider painting, refinishing, or replacing your front door with a stylish one to renew its look. Polish or replace worn-out hardware with a new door handle and address numbers. Create a welcoming entranceway, landscaping, or deck with outdoor lights or solar accent lighting. Install a beautiful lantern near the doorway or line a walkway with solar garden lights for a more appealing look. Keep the driveway clean and free of debris and oil stains. Fill in your driveway's cracks or recast it with asphalt sealer. Repair peeling paint on exterior doors and windows. |
| <p>FEBRUARY 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28</p> <p>KEEP HOME SMELLING FRESH</p> <p>Are you seeking ways to keep your home smelling fresh and inviting all day long? Follow these tips to create an environment that is both soothing and refreshing, allowing you to unwind and relax in your space:</p> | <p>KEEP HOME SMELLING FRESH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporate indoor plants throughout your house. Certain plants like bamboo palm and peace lily can help purify the air in your home while beautifying your surroundings. Simmer citrus slices and herbs like lavender or mint in a small saucepan. You can also simmer cinnamon sticks, vanilla, or rosemary. The heat will diffuse the sweet scent throughout your house. To keep your kitchen smelling fresh, clean your garbage disposal. Run lemon or lime rinds through the disposal, followed by lots of hot water to eliminate any odors. Change your furnace filter regularly to improve your home's air quality. Add a few drops of your favorite essential oil to the disposable filter, or clip a car deodorizer to your vent's metal slats to refresh a fresh scent. To neutralize pet odors, sprinkle baking soda into carpets and furniture. Leave overnight and vacuum the next day. | <p>AUGUST 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24/31 25 26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>SUMMER HOME & HEALTH TIPS</p> <p>Summer is a time for outdoor fun, and caring for your home and yourself is essential to ensure a safe and comfortable experience. Here are some helpful tips to make the most of this delightful season:</p> | <p>SUMMER HOME & HEALTH TIPS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Before the heat sets in, inspect your HVAC air filter, ducts, condenser coils, aluminum fins, blower components, and refrigerant levels to ensure its optimum performance. Before embarking on a long trip, turn off all the water supply valves to your sinks, toilets, and washing machines to prevent potential floods. Enhance your home's security while away by adding a timer light and installing a motion-activated sensor on an outdoor flood light. Use a broad-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF-30 or higher to avoid sunburns. Stay hydrated and watch out for signs of dehydration, heat cramps, or heat exhaustion, including nausea, dizziness, weakness, headache, and pale skin. Avoid mosquito bites with a good quality insect repellent, and prevent standing water in your yard and flower pots. Stay indoors during dusk and dawn to limit your exposure to mosquitoes' prime feeding time. |
| <p>MARCH 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23/30 24/31 25 26 27 28 29</p> <p>SPRING HOME MAINTENANCE</p> <p>Spring is the perfect opportunity to give your home the care and attention it deserves. By taking on certain maintenance tasks, you can ensure your home remains in top condition all year round. Here are some helpful tips:</p> | <p>SPRING HOME MAINTENANCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove all debris from your garden beds and apply a fresh layer of mulch to keep out moisture loss and weeds. Trim any overgrown branches of shrubs and trees that may be touching your house. Check your gutters and downspouts for any leaves or debris and clean them out with a water hose. Inspect the roof for any water damage, missing or broken shingles or tiles, and arrange for any necessary repairs. Inspect the exterior wood trim for any damage and check the seals around windows and doors. Repair any water stains, new cracks, warping, or blistering paint. Clean all of your windows and screens. Take down the screens and examine them for any holes. Repair or replace if needed. Inspect your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to ensure they are all in working order. Remember to replace the batteries every six months. | <p>SEPTEMBER 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>FALL HOME MAINTENANCE TIPS</p> <p>Fall is a great time to take care of home maintenance tasks, ensuring the interior and exterior are in optimal condition and ready for the upcoming seasonal changes. Here are some items for you to consider:</p> | <p>FALL HOME MAINTENANCE TIPS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hire a professional chimney sweep to inspect and clean your wood-burning fireplace or wood stove chimney. A chimney sweep will ensure the chimney is free of residue build-up that can cause fires, soot, and other debris. Address your home's electrical issues promptly and test the electric outlets to ensure they work correctly. If a circuit breaker trips occasionally, it could indicate faulty wiring or a bad connection, which can pose a severe fire hazard. Pull weeds, then apply 2-3 inches of bark mulch around the base of shrubs and trees to minimize moisture loss and suppress new weed growth. Prune hedges and trees, and trim any tree limbs growing near your roof and chimney. Keep your gutters and downspouts in top shape, and clean them twice a year. A professional can inspect and flush out debris from your gutters and downspouts. Gutters should also be free of rust, cracks, and holes to prevent leaking. |
| <p>APRIL 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>BEST HOME SELLING TIPS</p> <p>Selling a home can be daunting, involving many steps and considerations. Your goal is to get the highest possible price for your home in the shortest possible time. Here are some tips that can help you achieve this goal:</p> | <p>BEST HOME SELLING TIPS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Before listing your home, consider hiring a professional home inspector to assess its condition. This will help you identify any hidden issues or defects that need to be addressed. This proactive step can also help you avoid potential delays or deal-breakers during the sale process, ensuring a smoother transaction. Make all the necessary repairs. Fixtures and appliances such as faucets, drains, and exhaust fans must be in good working order. Leaky faucets should be repaired or replaced, and extra attention should be given to the kitchen and bathrooms, as these areas are more susceptible to damage than others. Remove weeds and spent flowers from flower beds. Spruce up your landscaping by planting colorful flowers in the front yard. Make sure the landscape, shrubs, and trees are well-maintained. Repair any cracks in the driveway or sidewalk to enhance the overall curb appeal of your home. | <p>OCTOBER 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>WEATHERIZE YOUR HOME</p> <p>Weatherproofing your home is a great way to protect it from external elements and save money on heating and cooling expenses. Here are some easy steps you can follow to increase your home's comfort level:</p> | <p>WEATHERIZE YOUR HOME</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use caulking and weatherstripping to cover home air leaks. Fill in gaps around windows and doors, especially those leading to your attic, crawlspace, garage, and basement. Also, make sure your door sweeps effectively block air infiltration. Improve your home heating efficiency and indoor air quality by regularly checking, cleaning, or replacing central heating filters. A clogged air filter can hinder airflow and strain the system, leading to energy wastage. To reduce your energy bills, add energy-efficient insulation to your home. Poor insulation can cause drafty rooms and uneven temperatures. Insulate your attic and the pipes passing through unheated rooms. Check your roof's flashing and shingles for damage. Trim overhanging tree branches that extend over your roof to minimize the risk of harm from winter's heavy rain or snow. |
| <p>MAY 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>EASY GARDENING TIPS</p> <p>Gardening is a beautiful way to add beauty to your property and get fresh produce for your meals. However, planning and maintaining a garden can be a lot of work. Here are some tips to make gardening easier:</p> | <p>EASY GARDENING TIPS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decide on the size of your garden based on the commitment you are willing to put in. For small areas, use space-saving techniques to maximize your yield. Consider using window boxes, containers, or raised beds, as they require less bending and kneeling. They also limit weed and pest encroachment, which means less weeding and pest control. Choose native plants best suited for your climate. Plant those with similar needs together based on light or watering requirements to save on maintenance work. Consider using a drip irrigation system or a timer to water your lawn automatically. Drip irrigation is inexpensive to install and does not require frequent maintenance. A timer will also save you from forgetting to water your lawn. Feed and water plants regularly, especially if they are grown in pots or containers. Container-grown plants need more plant food and water than those grown in the ground. | <p>NOVEMBER 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23/30 24 25 26 27 28 29</p> <p>BOOST YOUR HOME'S VALUE</p> <p>Your home is a valuable asset that needs regular care and attention. You can enhance your home's appeal and boost its value in many ways without spending too much money. Here are some easy tips:</p> | <p>BOOST YOUR HOME'S VALUE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fix any broken floor tiles and re-grout. Consider replacing your worn-out carpet with laminate flooring to give it a hardwood look without the added expense. Give your kitchen a cosmetic makeover by painting the cabinets, installing decorative pull knobs, and replacing old faucets in the kitchen and bathrooms. Apply new caulk around sinks and faucets, change outdated light fixtures, and add more lights throughout the home. Give a boring brick fireplace a facelift with a fresh coat of paint. You can also use high-gloss paint to give it a beautiful, contemporary look. Maintain a healthy lawn, and spruce up the landscaping. Flower containers, water features, outdoor sculptures, and stepping stones can be added to create a focal point. Installing landscape lightings, planting flowers, and adding fresh mulch can boost your yard's appearance. |
| <p>JUNE 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>HOME IMPROVEMENT TIPS</p> <p>When considering a home improvement project, the potential return on investment will depend on the home's market value and the local real estate market conditions. Here are some tips for better resale value:</p> | <p>HOME IMPROVEMENT TIPS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on home maintenance and repair projects first. This not only enhances your home's value but also instills a sense of pride and accomplishment. If needed, consider replacing or upgrading roofing, exterior paint, or the furnace. Replacing old windows can significantly improve your home's energy efficiency. Make improvements that bring your home up to the expected neighborhood standards. Avoid adding unnecessary features that stand out from the other homes on your street. Bathroom upgrades are relatively inexpensive but will have a better impact on resale. Replace corroded or mismatched bath faucets, shower heads, and bath hardware. Replace the kitchen cabinet hardware with new stylish pull knobs. Installing a decorative backsplash and adding new light fixtures can improve the appearance of your kitchen. | <p>DECEMBER 2025</p> <p>SUN MON TUES WED THU FRI SAT</p> <p>7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>SMALL BATHROOM MAKEOVER</p> <p>If you have a small bathroom, it may not be possible to enlarge the physical space. However, you can create the illusion of spaciousness with clever design and decorating techniques. Here are some tips:</p> | <p>SMALL BATHROOM MAKEOVER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use lighter hues or natural colors to paint the walls. A monochromatic paint scheme can also be effective, such as tone-on-tone or different shades of one color for walls and trim. Textured paint finishes can add depth to walls. Maximize floor space by replacing a tub with a shower stall. Consider replacing a traditional vanity cabinet with a pedestal-style vanity or wall mounted sink. Good lighting is crucial in a small bathroom. Use bright lights for tasks like shaving, shaving, or applying makeup. A dimmer switch for overhead lighting can help you control the room's ambiance, making it feel more spacious and relaxing. Choose tall, stand-alone, over-the-toilet cabinets for more storage. They are decorative and functional for storing towels and other bath supplies. Replacing the plain vanity mirror with a stylish one can create an elegant focal point. |

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Kitchen Reference Common Substitutions

1 Tbsp. cornstarch = 2 Tbsp. all-purpose flour
 1 cup butter = 7/8 cup oil + 1/2 tsp. salt
 1 cup sugar = 1 cup packed brown sugar
 1 cup sugar = 2 cups sifted powdered sugar
 1 cup corn syrup = 1 cup white sugar + 1/4 cup water
 1 egg = 1 Tbsp. water + 2 Tbsp. corn oil
 1 cup sour cream = 1 cup plain yogurt
 1 clove garlic = 1/8 tsp. garlic powder
 1 tsp. lemon juice = 1/2 tsp. vinegar
 1/2 cup oil = 1 stick of butter

Measurements

3 tsp. = 1 Tbsp.
 5 tsp. = 1 Tbsp.
 16 Tbsp. = 1 cup
 1 cup = 8 oz.
 2 cups = 1 pint
 2 pints = 1 quart
 4 quarts = 1 gallon
 4 cups = 1 quart

Food Equivalents

14 oz. Graham crackers = 1 cup crumbs
 2 cups = 1 pint
 2 pints = 1 quart
 4 quarts = 1 gallon
 4 cups = 1 quart
 1 cup = 8 oz.
 1 medium orange = 2 Tbsp. orange juice
 3 medium apples = 3 cups sliced
 1 medium lemon = 3 Tbsp. juice
 1 oz. = 1 lb.