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It's time for presents!
They'll be awake early, so
make their room look special

Treasure trove

(ABOVE) Kids will love waking up to see stockings filled with gifts. **Robe**, from £20, **pyjamas**, from £22, both The White Company. **Stockings**, £14.95 each, Aspen & Brown

Cover stories

(ABOVE RIGHT) Choose cheery gingham linen to add a festive touch. **Walls** in Wedgwood Blue eggshell, £32 per 2.5ltr, Zoffany. **Bed**, find similar Oliver, £449, at Feather & Black. **Karlsholm chest of drawers**, £825, Nordic Style. **Duvet**, £35, **pillowcases**, £10 each, **pyjamas**, as before, all The White Company. **Embroidered cushion**, £15, Laura Ashley. **Star cushion**, £32.95, Gant. **Decorations**, from £2.62 each, Stockeld Park. **Kashmina reindeer**, £13, John Lewis. **Frog**, £22, Oliver Bonas

Santa's treats

(RIGHT) These pretty patchwork stockings are a great investment. **Stockings**, as before, Aspen & Brown. **Reindeer**, from £5, **Kashmina reindeer**, as before, both John Lewis



Star chocolate, £2.50, Carluccio's. **Slippers**, £18, The Little White Company. **Rug**, £89, Nordic Style

Countdown to Christmas

(ABOVE) Let kids get creative by decorating their own mini tree. **Miniature tree**, £4.99, HobbyCraft. **Wooden decorations**, £1.97 for 12, **Advent train**, £5.97, **Santas**, £3.97 for three, all Tesco. **Parcel stack**, £3.18, Stockeld Park. **Book**, £7.95, The General Trading Company

Time for lunch

Celebrate the day with the best gourmet feast ever!

SO SIMPLE

This pretty gift bag looks great, takes just a few minutes to make and costs only a few pounds, so get creative and make a special treat for the kids. Cut a piece of felt in half and blanket-stitch around the edges using embroidery thread. Cut a remnant of felt into a strip for the cuff and glue in place at the top of the bag, then add a few pretty decorations to personalise and a strip of ribbon to fix in place. Fill with small treats and tie in place on to the chair.

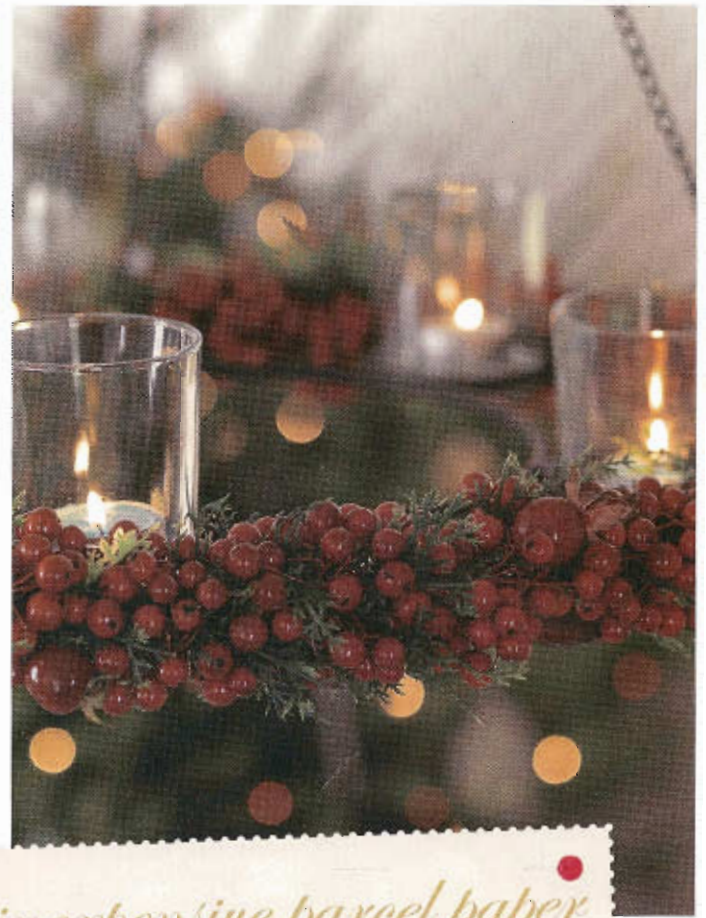
Felt pieces, 45p each, white pom-pom decorations, 49p, white embroidery thread, from 55p, tissue paper, £2.25, all HobbyCraft. Candy canes, 50p each, Bhs. Tinsel boxes, £15 for four, Plümo



Eat, drink and be merry

Prepare a luxurious table setting with smart china, beautiful linens and special finishing touches.

Table and chairs, find similar at Ann May. On table (from left): Party Time **red plates**, £26 for four, Spode; **red wine**, from a selection, Oudinot Brut NV **champagne**, £13.99 per 75cl, Mince pies (on cakestand), £4.99, all Marks & Spencer; Grace **hi-ball glasses**, £39.95 for two, Grace **red wine glasses**, £39.95 for two, all Royal Worcester; Chloe **cutlery**, £45 for a seven-piece set, Jadis **tumblers**, £4 each, Mazarine **dessert plates**, Mazarine **side plates**, and Mazarine **bowls**, all £10 each, all Karavan; Red earthenware **candlesticks**, £15.95 for two, Sia; **napkins**, £4.99, and **table runners**, £29.99 each, all Scandi Living; **flower centrepiece**, £9.99, Finest **chocolate soufflé**, £7.99, Finest **pot au chocolat**, £3.99 for six, all Tesco; reindeer **decorations** (on plate), £5.95 for 12, Aspen & Brown; **cakestand**, £35, Tobias And The Angel; **crackers**, £15 for a box of 12, Bhs; Elba **red tea-light holders**, £9.95 each, LSA International. **Berry sprigs** (from a garland), £18.95, Sia, tied with ribbon, from 39p per m, HobbyCraft. **Berry garland tea-light chandelier**, £89, Nordic Style. **Silver tea-light holders**, £2.75 each, Graham & Green. **Café blind** made in Angus Stripe, £22.50 per m, Ian Mankin



Tip Dress up inexpensive parcel paper with pretty ribbon for a cheat-chic trick

By the fire

(OPPOSITE PAGE) After lunch, sit around the fire with family and friends as a great way to end the day. **Walls** in Off White estate emulsion, £23.99 for 2.5ltr, Farrow & Ball. **Ritz sofa**, £699, Ilva. **Coffee table**, £325, Raft. **Side table**, find similar at Pimpernel & Partners. **Curtains** in Kenton Red, £49 per m, Parkertex. **Café blind** in Angus stripe, £22.50 per m, Ian Mankin. **Cushions** on sofa (from left): Candy Stripe Peony, £14.50 per m, Ian Mankin; reindeer, £6.50 each, Aspen & Brown; rectangular in Angus Stripe, £22.50 per m, Ian Mankin; wreath detail, £58, Jan Constantine; striped in Ticking 2 Peony, £14.50 per m, Regatta Stripe Peony, £16 per m, both Ian Mankin. **Throw** (on sofa), £50, The White Company. On side table: **lamp base**, £80, Marciana shade, £35, both Laura Ashley; **tinsel boxes**, £15 for four, Plümo; **candy house decoration**, £4.97, Tesco; **heart saucer with votives**, £12.50, Grand Illusions. On coffee table: **Mazarine bowl**, £25, Karavan; **baubles**, from a selection, Matalan; **chocolates**, from a selection, Carluccio's. On mantel: **mirrors**, find similar at Baileys; **3-D Christmas tree with votive**, £12.95, Grand Illusions; **garland**, £16.98, B&Q; **bird decorations**, £2.47 for two, Tesco;



candlesticks, £15.95 each, Sia; **cake plates**, £35 each, Tobias And The Angel. **Rug**, £150, The White Company. **Log basket**, £45, Laura Ashley

Timeless decorations

(ABOVE LEFT) Classic decorations will look good for years to come. **Tree**, from £54, AHS Direct. On tree: **dovecote decoration**, £3.50, robin, £2.95, stars, £6.50 for three, all Aspen & Brown; glass **bauble**, £9.99 for six; **gingerbread tree decoration**, £3.18, Stockeld Park; reindeer bell **garland**, £2.47, Tesco

Light up your room

(ABOVE) Candlelight adds a soft glow to your rooms. **Berry candelabra**, £89, Nordic Style

It's a wrap

(LEFT) Give presents the perfect finish with a few simple fir cones. On tree: clear **fairy lights**, £10, Tesco; **berry lights**, £25, Marks & Spencer. **Brown wrapping paper**, £1.99 for 12m, WHSmith. **Ribbon**, from 39p per m, **fir-cone picks**, 99p, all HobbyCraft. **Star**, £6.50 for three, Aspen & Brown