## Stylish Solutions

## Christmas in July? Planning Prevents Panic

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It's not too early to start planning for holiday decorations.

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Second, plan out the rooms you want to decorate and call out, to the best of your ability, each item and type. Source those items now. If they are in storage, where are they? Make a folder, write it down.

If you love to shop in the middle of the "season" for fun and to see what's out there, that's great. But do so by leaving only a few unplanned portions.

For our projects and clients, we are designing now. Orders go in no later than Aug. 15. If you think this might work for you, email me today, ann@couturechateau.com.

If you are more of a casual workshop learner, we host friends in September, after school is back in session, and show a hands-on method, complete with samples to learn with. You can find more on these workshops on my website.

The final way we recommend clients learn is from our online course, "Stress



Free Holiday Homes." When our workshops kept selling out, this online course was the result. It provides true insider information, down to budgets and planning. What's nice? You enjoy in the privacy of your own home, on your own timeline.

The best part of being a Stylish Suburbanite? You get to decide. Until next month, live beautifully and peacefully, and get to planning!



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