



## Planning Ahead For A Happier Thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving is a time when friends and family gather together to slow down and enjoy the company of loved ones, a good meal, usually some football, and ultimately a little rest.

That is, of course, unless you are playing host and chef this year.

Don't worry - there are still plenty of ways for you to work smart and prepare your home and your meal. Try making your Turkey Day a little less

hectic with these helpful tips!

- Running Out Of Room In The Fridge? Grab a cooler for extra space. Since you only need the extra cold storage for as long as it'll take for your family to gobble up the extra food, pick up a few bags of ice with your final pre-meal grocery run.
- Slow Cooker Mashed Potatoes Working ahead with your meal can be difficult, but slow cooker mashed potatoes make it easy! They'll easily keep for hours, so plug in your slow cooker in an out of the way space until dinner time rolls around
- Consider A Thermos For Your Gravy Aside from keeping coffee warm, a well insulated Thermos can keep any sauce and gravy warm. So you can prep your gravy well ahead of the meal and stored out of the way (perhaps next to your slow cooker mash!) until it is time to eat.
- Consider An Alternative To Your Normal Turkey Routine The turkey is usually the culprit taking up the most time in the oven. Instead of a traditional roast, consider an alternative cooking method to save time. If you still want to cook your bird in the oven, consider spatchcock turkey to reduce your in-oven cook time. Or skip the oven all together and try your hand at a deep fried turkey.
- **Don't Forget To Delegate** When it is almost meal time, it is easy to stress out. As family starts to arrive, don't be afraid to have your friends and family help out or help themselves to lessen your burden.
- Add activities to your "Kids Table" To try to calm the nearly endless chorus of "Is dinner ready, yet?", prep the Kids Table with Thanksgiving-related activities to keep them busy. Coloring books, word searches, and tabletop games will help keep their hands busy until it is time to eat.

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