

## Feng Shui for Entertaining

### Create an Inviting Space for Guests to Gather

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Wondering how to create a sense of harmony and warmth for receiving guests in your home? Along with the preparation of delicious food to adorn the table, setting the stage for a comfortable experience is the goal of a heartfelt host. The art of Feng Shui most definitely plays a role when hosting an elegant dinner party or casual gathering.

A clutter-free room is important, for starters. The dining room table should offer ample space for each guest. You may wish to sit in every seat around the table prior to your gathering to ensure that all guests enjoy a pleasant view. Keep in mind that comfortable dining room seats are a must, yet not so cozy that your guests outwear their welcome!

An immaculate tablecloth or attractive placemats set the initial tone. Placing a beautiful fresh flower arrangement, candles, or a bowl of fruit in the center of the table is a simple way to add color and ambiance. Consider hanging a large mirror in the dining area, as it makes the room appear more spacious. A mirror also represents the Water element, which helps balance space and flow.

Happy entertaining!



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