



## HOME & LIVING:

### *May Checklist*

- Replace your front door mat with a fresh summer style like stripes or a floral.
- Clean, then put your area rugs into storage for the summer. Bare floors channel a fresh coastal feel.
- Set up a birdbath and keep it maintained by hosing it out and replacing water each daily through summer and fall.
- Invest in a stylish new picnic basket equipped with four place settings and a waterproof blanket for safe sprawling through the summer.
- Set out and maintain a hummingbird feeder.
- Plant dahlias for a showy display come fall.
- Take your mom out for high tea on Mother's Day.

### *Your*notes...

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### *Tip* Have a cinco de Mayo party

Kick-start your entertaining season with a Cinco de Mayo party. String up garlands of brightly coloured papel picado (tissue or plastic flags), set out colourful patio ware and a buffet of Mexi-Cali foods like burritos, veggies and tortillas with salsa and guacamole. Cue up the tunes (Putumayo Presents: Mexico is a good sampler), and string up a piñata. Olé!