



HOME & LIVING:

November Checklist

- Put up backyard birdfeeders. Once sub-freezing temperatures hit, also hang suet blocks.
- Set up a squirrel-feeding station ... they'll be less likely to raid bird feeders.
- Buy a runner, placemats and nice linen napkins that match, for entertaining.
- Add weather-stripping around drafty windows and doors.
- Hire someone to clean eaves troughs and downspouts; wait 'til all autumn leaves have fallen.
- Decorate your mantel. Chose reflective, pre-holiday accents like mercury-glass accessories, mirrored frames and silver pieces. Add a pair of tiny evergreens or cut branches in vases.
- Clean out your medicine cabinet/vanity drawers.

Your notes...

Tip Wine and Dine

Keep an eye out for this year's Beaujolais Nouveau, as it hits wine shelves the third Thursday of November annually. It's a young, fruity, easy-to-drink, low-tannin red wine. Just pour it and enjoy its fresh flavour. Invite friends over and serve it with a charcuterie platter of bread, crackers, olives, cured meats and cheese. It's best slightly chilled, so put it in the fridge for about 20 minutes before serving.