

TOUR HOLIDAY HOMES WITH VINTAGE APPEAL

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Hidden in Plain Sight

Skip the hassle of storage and hide your Christmas favorites in everyday vignettes to give them a year-round home.

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WHO DOESN'T LOVE THE BEAUTY OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON? Everything sparkles, twinkles and shines, evoking a sense of wonder, merriment and joy. As a professional organizer with a lifestyle curation company, I have had the privilege of creating beautiful and meaningful holiday décor in clients' homes and then six weeks later dismantling the aftermath, which raises the question, "Where can I store it?"

There are tons of storage products that can aid in the off-season organization of holiday décor, but what if you want to savor the season a little bit longer? Or what if you are like me and have finite storage space for infinite collectibles and collections?

I like to employ a styling trick that I call the "hiding in plain sight" approach to displaying holiday decorations year round. This method is about subtlety and simplicity as well as sticking to single color palettes. It works particularly well if layered into everyday vignettes or as a small surprise in an unexpected location. The overall effect might feel kitschy, but it doesn't scream Christmas all year long.

When you break down your holiday decorations is the ideal time to take an inventory of what you have and what you need to replace, as there will be deep discounts this time of year.

If you apply these suggestions to the break-down process, it will make for a streamlined and stress-free holiday, which is at the top of everyone's Christmas list.

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clockwise: **THE PINK-GLITTER SKULL** ornament peeks out of a teacup, while the white-and-iridescent beaded bird clip nestles comfortably next to another in this year-round display.

- **A FEW MERCURY-GLASS** heart ornaments add a nice reflective element to the banana bowl.
- **AN ELABORATE CHANDELIER ORNAMENT** swings securely over a vintage bulldog squeak toy sitting atop an antique teacup and saucer.
- **ON A SLIVER OF KITCHEN COUNTER**, the holiday spirit fills this still life, with its sterling pedestal serving dish full of beaded fruit ornaments.