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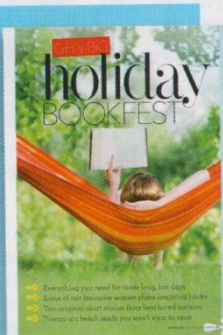


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LET'S
TAKE
THIS

Outside

The weather is kind, the evenings are long... so invite people over for a meal under the night sky. These ideas will really get the party started

Verona table and chairs, £999 (with six chairs), Moroccan globe lantern (foreground, left), £19.50, curved-top lanterns (on table and floor), £45 each, cutwork tealight holders (on table and floor), £12 each, lantern (far right), £25, vase, £29.50, Fiore wine glasses, £19.50 for four, and butterfly string lights (above table), £15, all Marks & Spencer. Other items, stylist's own

Alfresco

- * Hang lengths of bunting over your dining table
- * Fill pots with cut flowers
- * Bright furniture looks cheerful by day, exotic by night – why not paint each chair a different colour...
- * ...and choose yet another shade for the table?
- * Invest in a portable barbecue for versatility
- * Mix and match napkins to reinforce the theme



Pineapple bunting, £8.50, Tropical Fiesta lanterns, £7 for three, Honeycomb pineapple decoration, £8.50 for three, cups, £3.50 for 12, and wooden cutlery, £5.50 for six place settings, all Talking Tables (talkingtables.co.uk)



Colour blocking

ABOVE Jive table, £139, chairs, £40 each, navy melamine bowl, £3.50, mini tapas board, £10, Ash salad servers, £8, Vero cutlery, from £2 for a teaspoon, plain dinner plates, £10 for four, Croft linen napkins, £5 each, wine cooler, £20, nut bowl £6, and tangerine bowl candle, £10, all John Lewis. Other items, stylist's own

RIGHT Bucket barbecue, £19.50, and acrylic soda tumblers, £9.50 for four, Marks & Spencer. Other items, stylist's own



Barbecue



Tropical metal bucket with handle, £8, Tesco

Chill drinks stylishly in a pretty floral bucket