



BBQ PLANNING GUIDE

Timeline Guide

2 Weeks Before the BBQ

- Make a Guest List
- Send Out Invitations
- Create a Shopping List
- Test Your Grill

2 Days Before the BBQ

- Go Shopping
- Get Ahead - Prep Food & Desserts
- Make a Final Head Count
- Start Decorating

1 Day Before the BBQ

- Last-Minute Shopping
- Prepare the Meat
- Prep & Store Perishable Food

Day of the BBQ

- Finish Decorating
- Set Up Drink Stations
- Prepare Any Fresh Food Dishes
- Prepare the Grill

After the BBQ

- Store Leftovers
- Clean Up

Shopping List Guide

Meats

- Hamburgers
- Hot Dogs
- Ribs
- Steak
- Chicken

Appetizers & Side Dishes

- Salad
- Vegetable Tray
- Chips & Dip
- Cheese & Crackers
- Finger Foods
- Rice
- Corn on the Cob
- Potatoes
- Deviled Eggs

Condiments

- Ketchup
- Mustard
- Relish
- Mayo
- Barbeque Sauce
- Steak Sauce

Garnishes

- Lettuce
- Tomato Slices
- Onions
- Pickles
- Cheese Slices
- Chili
- Buns, Rolls & Wraps

Dessert

- Fruit
- Ice Cream
- Cake
- Cookies
- S'mores: Marshmallows, Graham Crackers, and Chocolate Bars
- Cheesecake

Drinks

- Water
- Soda
- Juice
- Beer
- Wine
- Cocktails

Other Items

- Cooler, Ice
- Outdoor Decor
- Coal or Propane
- Grilling Tools
- Radio
- Games
- Candles
- Camera
- Bug Spray
- Sun Screen
- Skewers
- Lighter
- Hand Sanitizer
- Napkins, Paper Towles, and Wet Wipes

Disposables

- Cups
- Plates
- Forks
- Knives
- Spoons
- Cups
- Aluminum foil & plastic wrap
- Trash Cans & Garbage Bags
- Storage Containers for Leftovers

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