

# TABLETOP CHRISTMAS...

## *Small Trees, Big Holiday Spirit!*

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**D**o you want more than one holiday tree in your home? If you do, this idea might be a little challenging when trying to add a little Christmas spirit and flair throughout the home. That's where small tabletop trees come into play!

Decorating with smaller trees has lots of benefits beginning with the advantage that, since they range from 8 inches to 4 feet in size, they take up very little space. Also, tiny trees are time- and energy-savers because they can be put up or taken down in minutes. With all these perks, the only thing you need to ponder is...do I want a real or faux small tree? Each has its pros and cons such as how a real tree has that wonderful aroma of fresh pine, but it needs to be watered and any fallen pine needles will need to be cleaned up, especially after the holiday season is over. Real trees usually can hold larger decorations, so you are able to showcase some of your family ornaments, while many faux trees already have lights on them and decorations, and even are battery operated with a remote for easy on-and-off of the lights.

Once you have made the decision as to whether you wish to decorate with a real or faux tree, then you are ready to decide where you will place these objects of festivity. A small tree is a versatile holiday piece of décor that you can add to your indoor and outdoor space very easily. Here are a few choices...



Place one or a couple of trees on the kitchen counters. Rosemary trees are especially fragrant and are stunning when decorated with mini baubles.



Position a tree on the coffee or dining table as the perfect centerpiece for the holidays.



A guest room with a beautiful tree can be a welcoming sight for our visiting Northern friends.



Place a lit tree in the bedroom for an instant festive night light.



Next, you will need to decide what base will be used for your tree. Real trees are many times planted in pots or are sold with a provided base. If you are considering a faux tree, you will want to decide on what type of vessel the tree will sit in. There are several options including mini tree skirts made especially for these types of trees. Here are some other creative ideas for a faux base:

- ↳ Painted basket
- Decorative planter
- Colorful bucket
- Large silk scarf draped around the tree
- Christmas-wrapped box

*Decorate your tree with:*

- Seashells
- Sea glass
- Small holiday ornaments
- Berries
- Silk flowers
- Small pinecones
- Bows
- Photos of your furry friends

*Christmas tree (left)  
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*Have a Very  
Merry Tabletop  
Christmas!*