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## Weathering the Cold

Ellen Cohn-Robinson brings warmth to classic winter with bright accents and one-of-a-kind-pieces

**THIS WINTER** my table settings will have a mixture of silver and gold metallics, and the shiny pieces will be well-complemented by wood grain inspired accents. In keeping with a high-low style philosophy, try mixing family heirlooms with more casual, inexpensive pieces. Heirlooms make great conversation starters and can foster a sense of comfort and tradition, while adding newer and more playful accents keeps the décor fun. The idea is to create a warm and inviting atmosphere for guests, so I also enjoy making a meal family-style, which allows for people to get acquainted as they are passing dishes and sharing food. A hearty stew makes a great main course on a chilly winter night, and serving it in bright orange dishware can add a nice contrast to neutrals and metallics. To finish the table, I use succulents and candles for a distinct centerpiece. Painting the tips of the leaves can make the common succulent feel refined and festive. I prefer using gold paint— it pairs beautifully with my mercury glass! —*Ellen Cohn-Robinson, Principal Designer at W.E.D. (Wedding. Event. Design)*





#### WINTER WARMER

A surprising way to welcome your guests upon arrival is by serving **small bites**. **Soup shooters** served in these orange ombré cups or pretty demi-tasse china make for a delicious and warm welcome.



#### AN EASY POUR

The bar is always open in our house! An array of **mismatching decanters** and **glasses** in different shapes and sizes provides height and allows for each guest to personalize his or her drink of choice.



#### PLAY ON PRINTS

Mixing **gold and silver metallic accents** with a colorful **ikat pattern** creates an abundant feeling. By varying layers and textures, you are able to do more with less.



#### TIME FOR TEA

Get everyone up and moving after a meal! A **tea and dessert station** allows your guests to progress to the food finale at their own leisure. How sweet...





*“Use a mixture of inexpensive pieces and family heirlooms—this adds a fresh take on family tradition while prompting conversation on the history of the pieces.”*—**Ellen Cohn-Robinson, Principle Designer, WED**

