# Christmas Porch Decorating Guide

## Mix fresh and faux greens using professional florist techniques for a lasting entry.

Build a spectacular, weather-resistant winter display with this simple step-by-step approach. Use the stem-count chart to buy exactly what you need for your specific porch size.



## Proportions & Placements

**24 in**
Wreath for 36-inch single door

**60 in**
Wreath height from porch floor

**4 in**
Wired ribbon for structured bows

**8-10 in**
Fresh bundles spaced every foot

**4-6 in**
Stem depth for frost-setting urns

**3-4 ft**
Birch poles for peak urn height

*Apply Anti-Desiccant Safely*

*Strip the lower three inches of needles and apply protective spray inside a cool garage so it cures before freezing. Never spray faux elements to avoid sticky residue.*

## Professional Assembly Techniques

1. **Faux Garland Base** Use an unlit, heavily wired artificial pine core to securely grip heavier fresh clippings.
2. **Wire Real Tips** Wrap heavy-duty paddle wire tightly three times around fresh stems and the artificial core.
3. **Frost-Set Urns** Plunge cut evergreen stems into wet, heavy potting soil just before a hard overnight freeze.
4. **Layer Trailing Greens** Tuck long, flexible cedar branches around the outer perimeter to gracefully spill down the sides.

## Porch Greens Stem-Count Chart

Find your row: **Your Porch Setup**

| Your Porch Setup | Your pick | Why |
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| **Single Door** | 4 bundles, 3 yds, 1 spray | Frames one standard entry perfectly. |
| **Double Door** | 6 bundles, 5 yds, 2 sprays | Scales for a wider architectural frame. |
| **Door + 2 Urns** | 10 bundles, 8 yds, 3 sprays | Enough lush greens for flanking planters. |

## Pre-Shopping Porch Checks

- ○ Measure door width to ensure a 24-inch wreath leaves breathing room.
- ○ Check frame for tension rod or heavy-duty brick clip compatibility.
- ○ Verify urns have old root balls removed and heavy potting soil.
- ○ Check local forecast for an overnight freeze to frost-set urns.

## Shopping & Styling Notes

Enjoy your beautifully fragrant, welcoming winter entryway all season long!