

Day 9: Eating Areas

If the kitchen is the heart of the home... then the eating areas, the dining areas might be said to be the pulse of the home, the rhythm of the home.

Family tables are a gathering point.

Checklist

Objective: To create a functional family table -- to promote fun, family memories.

- De-clutter. Remove all items that don't belong and put them where they do. Leave only items that will be used in this space.
- Create a family table. If you don't already have an eating table, consider buying one, setting up a card table draped with a pretty cloth or quilt or obtain one second hand. Make it a priority to set up that family table.
- Dust all surfaces of furniture in this area, including overhead light fixtures.
- Vacuum, especially under the table.
- Launder or dry-clean any linens you use in this area.
- Create dedicated storage (furniture items with compartments that can hide these items are ideal) for items that must remain in this area.
- Clean and de-clutter any other eating surfaces you may have like an eating bar in the kitchen or a kitchen table.
- Celebrate with a family dinner or invite someone over for dessert and show off your newly cleaned room!

Tomorrow:

- Living Room

