The Perfect Party Host Checklist

Party etiquette says guests should arrive 15 minutes late. Unfortunately people don't follow that rule so try to be ready 10 minutes before the party starts. Plan, plan, plan!



Ahead of time

Make a list of all of your guests

Send invitations out with plenty of notice
Let your guest know ahead of time if you are serving just drinks, appetizers or dinner
Know your guests (i.e. allergies and general dieting habits)
Make a list of what you plan to serve
Make your shopping list from what you plan to serve
Plan out what serving dishes you plan to use
If there are a lot of guests consider hiring a server/bartender so you can enjoy the party too

A Few Days Before (Don't wait until the last minute)

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Go shopping
Clean the house
Start cooking at least the night before (even earlier if possible)
Take all of your serving dishes out the night before
Label each dish with what you plane to serve in it
Put the utensils you will use in the serving dish it will go with

Prepare you music playlist	
The Day of	
Start prepping early	
On't wait until last minute to shower and get dressed	
Start taking things out of the fridge to lay out 30 minutes before quests arrive	
Make sure your garbage is empty before guests arrive	
Make sure your dishwasher is empty before guests arrive	
Offer guests a drink as soon as they arrive	
If there is no server to help, let your guests know to help themselves to refills	
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