

HOME + GARDEN



Light Up the Night

Don't let long winter nights darken your holiday spirit. The warm glow of cozy candles and hand-made lanterns brightens the swankiest of homes—and the grinchiest of moods, keeping things chic and cheerful.

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To enjoy the glow of a candle sans smoke, trim the wick to 1/4 inch before lighting.

PREVIOUS PAGE: Nurture your hearth and health with the all-natural **Queen Bee** candles (from \$25) at **Dian!**, 1324 State St., Ste. H, Santa Barbara, 805-966-3114, dianiboutique.com. Made from pure Australian beeswax and painted with intricate designs, these sweet-smelling candles are a natural ionizer—the wax purifies the air as it burns.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Limited-edition **Diptyque** candles (\$60) at **Wendy Foster**, 833 State St., Santa Barbara, 805-966-2276, wendyfoster.com, are decorated with an original Byzantine-inspired design. The slow burn fills the home with a sweet bouquet of Briar Honey, or woody, wintry Amber and Scotch Pine aromas.

Dayna Decker's limited-edition gold-clad Every Frost Brings a Flower candle (from \$72) exudes the smell of fresh spring flora. Available at **Treat**, 1324 State St., Ste. E, Santa Barbara, 805-966-2336, treatthyselcorn.com, it's made with a botanical-based wax blend and a clean-burning eco-wick. It even crackles like a cozy fireplace.

Agraria's holiday collection candles (from \$50) at **Saks Fifth Avenue**, 1001 State St., Santa Barbara, 805-884-9997 saks.com, cast a lovely light. The heady scents of Mediterranean Jasmine, Riviera Pear, Golden Pomegranate, and Mission Fig are a reminder that summer is never too far away.

For a fresh take on Christmas colors and fragrances, try **Helene Aumont's** candles in aromas such as Green Tea and Grapefruit (from \$45) from **Europa**, 2345 Lillie Ave., Summerland, 805-969-4989, antique-seuropa.com. The 100 percent soy wax candles are handpoured and radiate a festive yuletide spirit.

Locally made, environmentally friendly **Reverend's** **Essentials** pillar candles (\$22) at **Cielo Day Spa**, 1725 State St., Santa Barbara, 805-687-8979, cielospasb.com, are handcrafted, 100 percent vegan and come in soothing scents such as Lavender Vanilla, Jasmine Rose, and Peppermint Eucalyptus.

Handmade Mexican **Mercury Star** tealight holders (from \$58) at **Maison K**, 1253 Coast Village Rd., Montecito, 805-969-1676, maisonkinc.com, illuminate a room with lively flickers of dancing light.