

New for You

→ Your Moodboard for this Month *Edited by Suzanne Rust*



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Pin-terest

Inspired by your grandmother's heirlooms, vintage-style brooches are back in a big way. We love the animals, stars and nature-themed varieties. One adds interest; a cluster adds drama.



Why should lapels get all the love? Try a brooch on your hat, jacket or scarf.



Hedgehog, Carolee, bloomingdales.com, \$85. **Hummingbird** and **pinecones**, Talbots, talbots.com, \$50 each. **Turtle**, Carolee, lordandtaylor.com, \$85. **Starburst**, White House Black Market, whbm.com, \$35.

Get edgy. Swap the cardigan for a leather moto jacket.

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Silver Belles



Sheen and be sheen. Metallic jeans are perfect for day to night—pair with a flowy blouse and a chunky cardigan for a totally wearable look, anytime.

Cardigan, Kersh, shopkersh.com, \$105. Blouse, a.n.a, jcpenny.com, \$36. Jeans, Jessica Simpson Collection, jessicasimpson.com, \$79. Necklace, E.Shaw Jewels, eshawjewels.com, \$95. Booties, Vince Camuto, vincecamuto.com, \$139.



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Move over, mistletoe.

This year the kissing ball is where it's at. What started as an English tradition during the Middle Ages is now a one-and-done way to punch up an entryway and, of course, encourage holiday guests to pucker up. Eucalyptus Kissing Ball, treeclassics.com, \$20.



Ride it out. Uber Gift Cards—in amounts from \$15 to \$500—are now available nationwide at major retailers and online at uber.com/gift-cards. They can be redeemed directly in the app and, unlike a fruitcake, they never expire.

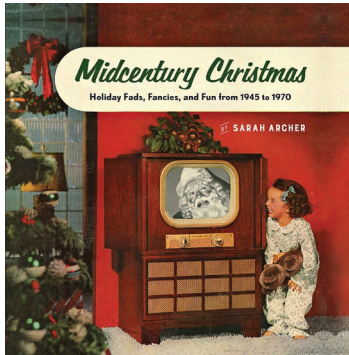
Wardrobe styling: Megan Hungerford. Hair: Takashi Ashizawa. Makeup: Albee Franson. Manicure: Riwako Kobayashi for Atelier Management.

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Jingle All the Way!

Books to make the season bright

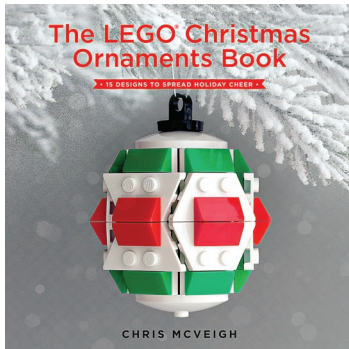
Aluminum trees, throwback recipes and other wonders of American kitsch have their moment in Sarah Archer's *Midcentury Christmas: Holiday Fads, Fancies, and Fun from 1945 to 1970*.



Peek inside and you'll find a vintage Family Circle spread!

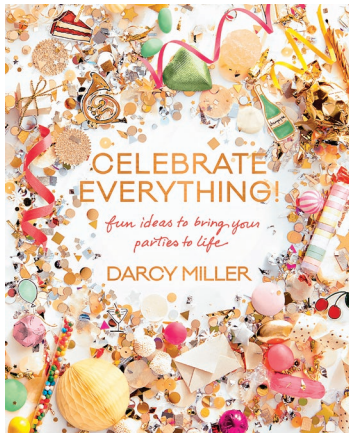


Finally! A way to put your kids' extra LEGO pieces to good use. In *The LEGO Christmas Ornaments Book: 15 Designs to Spread Holiday Cheer*, author Chris McVeigh gives step-by-step instructions for making a wreath, a snowflake and other creations.



With these pieces you can construct a LEGO tree.

Get any party started with chic and cheerful inspiration from Darcy Miller's *Celebrate Everything! Fun Ideas to Bring Your Parties to Life*. Darcy, one of the founding editors of *Martha Stewart Weddings*, knows her way around festive.



Decorative dessert toppers make simple sweets more playful.



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Up to Bat

The new class of mascaras leaves us in a flutter. With just a twist of the tube, each brush transforms to create a different look—voluminous, curled and more—all in the blink of an eye. Our favorites include Clinique Lash Power Flutter-to-Full Mascara (\$21), Woosh Beauty Flex & Curl Mascara (\$23), Flower Zoom-In Ultimate Mascara (\$8) and Makeup Academy Amp-Up Adjustable Impact Mascara (\$10.50).



Turner's latest launch, FilmStruck, is a brand-new subscription video-on-demand service that allows you to watch movies from the award-winning Criterion Collection, all commercial-free. Indulge in instant access to a mix of indie, foreign, classic and cult films—everything from Seven Samurai and A Room with a View to Mad Max and Blood Simple. FilmStruck.com, \$7 a month, and FilmStruck plus The Criterion Channel, \$11 a month.

Photos: (mascara) Lisa Shin. Styling: Courtney De Wet. (Midcentury Christmas) cover design by LeAnna Weller Smith. © GE Lighting. A business of General Electric Company. Spread originally published in *Family Circle* magazine, December 1958. (LEGO Christmas Ornaments Book) Chris McVeigh, *The LEGO Christmas Ornaments Book* (No Starch Press). (Celebrate Everything) from *Celebrate Everything* by Darcy Miller. Reprinted with permission of William Morrow Books, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers.

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Party Right

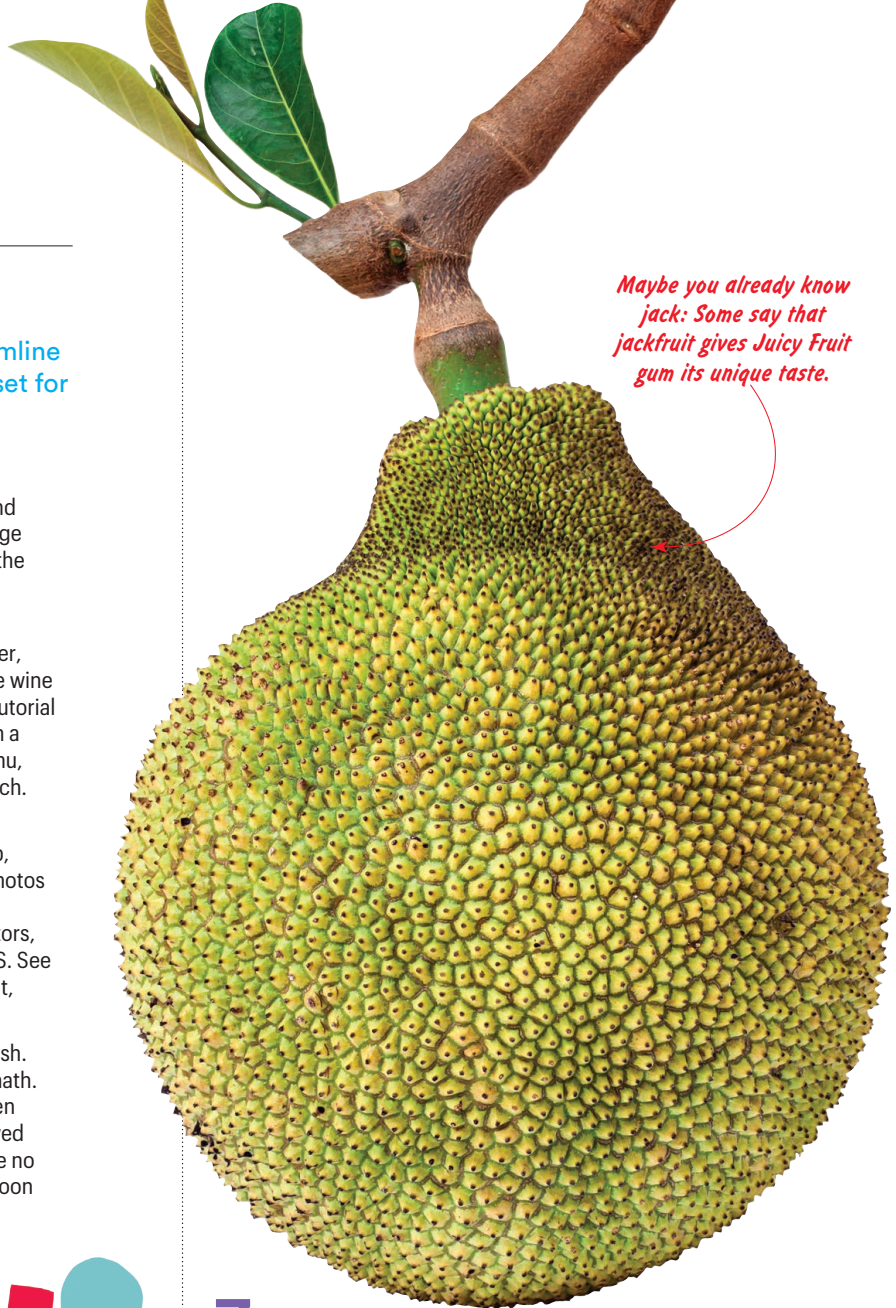
Download these apps to streamline the planning process and get set for a sensational soirée.

Fête Scheduling made simple. Start by suggesting an event, venue and date, and the app will send the info via text message for guests to tentatively RSVP. Once all the details are set, you can design and send customizable e-vites. *iOS, free*

Hello Vino Like a pocket-sized sommelier, this app comes loaded with an extensive wine database that you can skim for a quick tutorial on varietals, flavors and food pairings. In a rush? Just tell the app what's on the menu, and it'll recommend a primo vino to match. *Android and iOS, free*

Partyology With this Pinterest-style app, search or scroll through thousands of photos for tons of themed-party inspo. You can even connect with local event coordinators, bartenders and bands for additional SOS. See something you can't live without? Save it, share it or press "buy." *iOS, free*

Handy You've pulled off the ultimate bash. Now let someone else handle the aftermath. Find professional cleaners that have been prescreened by the platform and reviewed by users nearby. Last-minute messes are no match—you can schedule a service as soon as tomorrow. *Android and iOS, free*



Maybe you already know jack: Some say that jackfruit gives Juicy Fruit gum its unique taste.

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Jack of All Trades

What's spiky, green and more than a bit prehistoric-looking? Jackfruit (an Asian supermarket staple brimming with potassium and fiber) is trending as a plant-based meat substitute. The Jackfruit Company and Upton's Naturals sell ready-to-eat portions for tacos and sandwiches or as add-ins to rice dishes. Meatless Mondays just got so much more interesting.



Photos: (Jackfruit) iStockphoto, (products) Peter Ardito.



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December Reel Time Movies

Office Christmas Party. In an attempt to close a crucial sale, an executive rallies his coworkers to host an epic holiday party. Expect shenanigans from Jennifer Aniston, Olivia Munn, Courtney B. Vance, T.J. Miller and Jason Bateman. (December 9)



Fences. A father struggles to provide for his family in 1950s Pittsburgh as racial inequality flares. Powerhouses Viola Davis and Denzel Washington pair up for the film adaption of August Wilson's Pulitzer Prize-winning play. (December 25)

Rogue One: A Star Wars Story. From the franchise that keeps on giving comes this stand-alone film about resistance fighters who steal the original Death Star blueprints. Felicity Jones stars. (December 16)



Julieta. Pedro Almodóvar fans, rejoice. The Spanish director is back with the story of a woman meeting the love of her life, then trying to comprehend the loss of her estranged daughter. (December 21)

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A Special Case

Get where you're going in high-tech style with the **Raden A22 Carry**. This beautifully engineered TSA-approved lightweight suitcase—available in a range of colors—is sleek and smart. The handle's built-in scale weighs your bag, and when your 22-inch Raden comes down the baggage carousel, it sends your phone an alert. Plus, the built-in battery can keep your phone charged when you're on the road. Expect suitcase envy. Raden.com, \$295



*It's easy to scream for ice cream in the winter, especially with **McConnell's Fine Ice Creams'** new limited-edition Tea Set flavors. Chamomile Tea & Oatmeal Cookies and Earl Grey Tea & Butter Biscuits sound cozy enough to make us want to snuggle up with a few scoops (maybe atop a piece of warm pie?) and a toasty blanket. Available at mcconnells.com while supplies last, \$10 per pint.*