

# The ultimate backyard BBQ checklist

## Prep

### FOOD & DRINK:

- ☐ Marinated meats (burgers, skewers, etc.)
- ☐ Veggie options (corn, salad, etc.)
- ☐ Snacks (chips, pretzels, fruit, etc.)
- ☐ Desserts (ice cream, ice pops, etc.)
- ☐ Cold drinks (alcohol, soda, water, etc.)
- ☐ Cooler + ice

### SETUP

- ☐ Grill cleaned + fueled
- ☐ Serving station + utensils
- ☐ Compost/recycle/trash bins
- ☐ Outdoor seating + shade
- ☐ Bathroom cleaned + accessible

### AMBIENCE

- ☐ String lights or lanterns
- ☐ Music (Bluetooth speaker + playlist)
- ☐ Bug control (citronella candles, spray)
- ☐ Optional themed decorations

### HOSTING HACKS

- ☐ Prep sides the night before
- ☐ Assign grill duty or drink refills
- ☐ Grant smart lock access to early helpers or late guests.

## Hosting

### DAY BEFORE

- ☐ Clean and prep the grill (don't forget fuel!)
- ☐ Marinate proteins + chop veggies
- ☐ Set up tables and chairs
- ☐ Stage your lighting, music, and bug control
- ☐ Enable smart access for your BBQ co-host or early arrivals.

### DAY OF

- ☐ Fill the cooler and stock the drink station
- ☐ Lay out tableware and trash bins
- ☐ Test music setup and lighting
- ☐ Preheat the grill
- ☐ Turn on music
- ☐ Share your smart lock guest passes