

## The Best Summer BBQ Decorating Ideas by Interior Designer Cathy Hobbs

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Hi, everyone! It's interior designer Cathy Hobbs of **Design Recipes** and I teamed up with Kirkland's to share a few summer BBQ decorating ideas! My philosophy is all about Design Recipes – easy and affordable ways to design without breaking the bank. **Kirkland's** is one of my go-to sources for fabulous finds.



In this vignette, I created a look to inspire you to mix natural elements such as wood with an unexpected texture, ceramic. I believe the deep ruby red of the **Kirkland's Red Ceramic Utensil Caddy** and **bakeware dish** knock it out of the park when paired with natural pieces such as a twig hurricane and **Kirkland's Wood and Galvanized Metal Tray**. I LOVE these **Kirkland's Vintage Milk Bottle Glasses** – imagine them filled with your favorite drink on a hot day!



It's all about minimal, timeless design that also adds a touch of the unexpected. Here, I have selected several different decorative display pieces, including a simple ramekin, white baking dish, and weathered **chip and dip bowl** from Kirkland's. I love the way the dip holder is integrated into the shape of the bowl, seamless design!



If simplicity is your style, I suggest opting for **clear lanterns** such as the one I placed front and center. This Kirkland's find is timeless, and I love that it can be used all year round! I believe one key to creating a timeless design scheme is to purchase pieces that you can re-purchase or reuse.



When it comes to your place setting, I encourage layering. Layering your place setting can mean including perhaps a charger, dinner plate and small salad bowl or a table setting that incorporates a basic plate, napkin and decorative accent on top.



I am always looking for interesting finds, and my favorite finds of the summer are these absolutely adorable vintage milk bottle glasses from Kirkland's! I love serving my guests flavored sparkling waters, and I predict these mini bottles with their whimsical red and white straws (the straws come with the bottles) will be a big party hit.



In this vignette I brought in simple country elegance through the use of this **utensil caddy** from Kirkland's. I have always been a huge fan of mason jars for just about anything. Growing up, my dad always used mason jars for his drinks; he was a fan of lemonade and punch, and mason jars were his thing. These days I am seeing them used more and more in home décor. They are inexpensive and can be used to display whatever you desire.

-Cathy

We hope you enjoyed these tips for hosting a summer BBQ! Don't forget to follow Cathy on **Instagram**, **Facebook** and **Twitter**. Do you have entertaining tips of your own? Share them in the comments below!