

Transform your dining space before Eid arrives!

Eid-ul-Adha is just around the corner, and while many of us are busy checking off the usual to-do list: finalising the Qurbani budget, stocking up on essentials, and revisiting those cherished family recipes, there are certain important details that often get overlooked until the last minute, like decorating the dining space.

This is, after all, the heart of Eid gatherings — the place where dishes are served and memories are made. So, this year, why not give it the attention it deserves and make it truly festive?

Start now, and your future self will thank you! Why? Because the curtains will smell like flowers instead of dust, the tablecloth will not feature that suspicious stain, and your fancy cutlery will actually sparkle, rather than giving off accidental “vintage” vibes.

Knock out these low-key chores first: declutter the cabinets, wash your curtains, polish any wood surfaces, and give the rarely seen tableware its moment. These little changes will make the entire space feel fresh and festive, without denting your wallet.

And don't forget the lighting. It plays a surprisingly big role in setting the mood. Swap out harsh overhead lights for softer alternatives. Floor lanterns, fairy lights, or a cluster of candles as a centerpiece can change the atmosphere entirely! For good! Pair this with a few indoor plants in the corners for a touch of nature. These small changes not only highlight your food beautifully, but also create a cosy, inviting environment.

Now, let's focus on the dining table itself.



The literal centrepiece of your dining room. If you have been contemplating an upgrade or addition, Eid preps might be the perfect excuse to explore options.

Love a clean, modern vibe? There are minimalist designs that champion “less is more” — like Scandinavian-style rectangular tables with light wood finishes or sleek tempered glass tops that bring an airy, elegant feel to your space. They are not just beautiful — they are practical, especially for smaller dining rooms.

But, if you are looking for something with a bit more presence, an ornate table in dark

wood or marble can add a touch of luxury and bring a classic, refined feel to your room. They are perfect if you love entertaining or want your dining space to feel a little grand. You may consider adding a sofa or couch in the corner if you have more space. Though space is rare, especially in a city like Dhaka.

So, if making room is your major concern, consider extendable tables that grow when guests arrive. Some contemporary sets even include built-in storage, which is perfect for maintaining space. Round tables, on the other hand, foster style, intimacy, and conversation. You can go for them as well.



However, if you are concerned about the budget, you do not have to compromise — the furniture brand Hatil is offering 5-10 per cent discounts. They also offer EMI (Equated Monthly Instalment) plans, so you can upgrade your space without paying everything upfront.

It's a good way to invest in quality while keeping your budget in check. So, if you have been eyeing that gorgeous table, now is your time to go for it before Eid!

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