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THE HAMILTON SPECTATOR

Brad and Catherine Lambert had plenty of decisions to make when building a 4,500-square-foot home in Burlington.

But one thing was certain. "I always wanted a red dining room," says Catherine, an interior decorator and owner of Cabera Interiors in Burlington.

The dining room's wall colour inspired a fruit-themed tapestry table runner and placemats when they opened their home for the Junior League of Hamilton-Burlington's 25th Holiday House Tour of Distinctive Homes.

"Colours are very rich and earthy with a bit of glitz for Christmas," says Sue Bruin of the Willow Tree in Waterdown, who decorated the dining and living rooms.

Off-white plates are stacked on gold chargers and each place setting is topped with a red hand-blown pear encircled by a gold olive branch. Gauzy red napkins tucked into wine glasses add another hit of colour. Tabletop trees in gold add to the formal feel while artichoke ornaments sparkle.

The mantel's gold and silver decorations complement a painting in blue, red, green and orange.

"She has beautiful artwork over the mantel so we didn't do much colour around it," says Bruin, who used festive cone trees in gold and silver. The metallics also work nicely with the room's sage green sofa, black leather ottoman and cinnamon coloured armchairs.

A five-foot black wooden birdcage by the fireplace pairs nicely with black wrought-iron spindles in the staircase. The birdcage is dressed for the season with branches and birds.

The family room goes back to nature with tiers of frosted birch pots on a cafe-style table covered in simple burlap. Pots brimming with paperwhites, small-leaf ferns and moss continue the nature theme.

"I always try and include something fresh," says Cathy Yantsis, owner of The Elves Workshop in Burlington, who helped create the winter wonderland theme. "Because these are potted, they're going to last longer."

Frosted birch vases filled with deep red dogwood branches are another lovely touch.

"It's frosty, snowy and nature inspired," says Yantsis.

Kitchen cupboards in a creamy antique wash nicely contrast a large maple island with a granite countertop. Truffle-filled chocolate swans, truffle trees, smoked salmon canapes and pesto swirls from The Pearl Street Cafe and Walker's Chocolate Works in Burlington welcome visitors to a holiday buffet.

Decorators from The Tailored Home in Burlington and Oakville chose a Nutcracker theme for the master bedroom. The mood is romantic elegance with decorations in cream and gold. A black gown is draped across bedding in gold and robin's egg blue, and a tuxedo hangs nearby.

Ballet slipper ornaments on the bedroom Christmas tree play on this theme. Glass urns on bedside tables are filled with gold Christmas balls.

Stylish Events in Burlington decorated the home theatre room in shades of tangerine, copper and raspberry. Ornaments included sparkly pine cones, branches dripping with faux cranberries and magnolia blossoms in burnt orange.

A tree in the games room was given a teddy bear theme by Botanika in Hamilton. Cuddly teddy bears peeking from branches make the tree especially appealing to youngsters.

The tour benefits the VON-Junior League Overnight Respite Centre that will open at 400 Victoria Ave. N. in Hamilton in the spring.

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**Decorator tip: Ideas to steal:**

Lighten up a serious room such as a home office with a whimsical black and white tree, with pops of red. Ornaments include big black snowflakes and gift bags in black, white and silver. Instead of a star on top of the tree, sparkly red branches look like fireworks shooting from the top. Another hit of red comes from a glass bowl filled with Christmas balls.

- Wrap a mirror like a gift with a red and gold ribbon.
- Dress up a table with metal tabletop trees, gold olive branches and red feather balls.
- Artichokes are everywhere this season. Combine gold faux artichokes with red balls or jewelled faux pomegranates.

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Cabera has recently completed the custom design and decoration of the Lambert family's residence. This home will be featured in the Junior League of Hamilton-Burlington 25th Annual Holiday House Tour of Distinctive Homes. Don't miss an opportunity to see Cabera's work first hand.

**Tour dates: November 9th, 10th, and 11th.**

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