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# Home FOR THE Holidays

As you prepare to deck your halls for Christmas, we thought you might need some inspiration. So we asked area experts to show us their finest seasonal décor and the results, as you can see, were stunning.

**Photography by** Rob Kaufman

For the holidays, Interior Designer Hope Hunter of Plantation Interiors was asked by *Hilton Head Monthly* magazine to create a unique Lowcountry holiday design conveying sense of warmth and comfort.

The design begins with the selection of beautiful, high-quality furniture positioned near the fireplace—including a comfortable sofa suitable for several guests. A wicker chair, classically patterned cushions and reclaimed wood coffee table convey the casual elegance associated with Lowcountry living and gatherings.

For the holiday, Hope selected a festive color palate of silver, gold and white. Large ribbons upon beautifully wrapped gifts are positioned within the room as holiday accents to welcome and intrigue visitors. The mantle is adorned with oyster shells from the May River reminding us of our proximity to water. To help set the mood, white candles in glass urns are used to produce a flickering and calming effect as they burn—reminiscent of the stars visible in the cool, clear southern sky.

To add vertical interest, an arrangement of locally cut branches is prominently positioned while a Christmas topiary and soft lighting complete the sense of holiday cheer. And if you look closely, you'll see a starfish atop of the topiary—a perfect holiday topper.

Lowcountry living is all about casual elegance. Hope's design conveys the spirit of the holidays without an overreliance upon traditional holiday ornaments. Welcome to the holidays—Lowcountry style.

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