

## It's prime time for holiday decorating

Christmas is about three weeks away. That's just enough time to trim the tree, hang the lights and make a few ornaments yourself. Oh, stop! Of course, you're artistic. Just try it.



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### Who's that at your door?

You have to admit that part of the reason you enjoy displaying funky holiday décor is to impress your guests. (Who doesn't like to be thought of as having unique style?) Pier 1 Imports' **Christmas Door Draft Stoppers** fit that description. Place the stopper at the base of your most visible door or window (you want it to be noticed, don't you?) to keep cold air out and warmth in — or just to show off. There are three styles to choose from: Moose, \$15.96; Santa, \$15.96; and Reindeer, \$20.76. Details: [Pier1.com](http://Pier1.com).

Keep cold air out with these holiday door stoppers.



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### Beautiful decorations made by you

I'm with Teresa Evelegh when she says that making your own holiday decorations is immensely satisfying. It also can be immensely inexpensive if you use materials found around your house. In **Home-Made Christmas: With 35 Beautiful and Easy-To-Make Projects** (Cico Books; \$19.95), she offers instructions for making a pine and cinnamon wreath, kissing bough and cranberry heart. Children can join the fun in the "Dress the Tree" section, which includes projects such as a making a white paper star, glass-bead star, sequin balls and green lanterns. Knitters can make Rudolph or a snowy white poodle. The last two sections have ideas on different table settings and Christmas giving (truffles, peppermint creams and more).

