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Holiday Guest Cleaning Checklist



ABOUT 2 HOURS · SPLIT IT OVER TWO EVENINGS



Start the laundry

- [ ] Strip the guest bed or sofa bed
- [ ] Wash pillowcases, blanket, 2 towels
- [ ] Move the load to dry when done



10-minute basket

- [ ] Walk through with one basket
- [ ] Collect anything out of place
- [ ] Park it in a closet, sort later



Bathroom · 20 min

- [ ] Open a window, wear gloves
- [ ] Mirror, sink and counter, then toilet
- [ ] Fresh towel, toilet paper, empty trash
- [ ] Never mix cleaners



Kitchen · 20 min

- [ ] Dishes done, sink empty
- [ ] Wipe counters, fridge front, handles
- [ ] Toss old leftovers
- [ ] Clear one counter for coffee



Touch points · 15 min

- [ ] Dust high to low
- [ ] Wipe switches, handles, remote
- [ ] No spray on electronics



Entry · 10 min

- [ ] Shake out the doormat
- [ ] Clear hooks for coats
- [ ] Tray or towel for wet boots



Floors last

- [ ] Vacuum, under the sofa too
- [ ] Barely damp mop
- [ ] Keep pets off until dry



Last 10 minutes

- [ ] Make the guest bed, towel on top
- [ ] Charger and water glass
- [ ] Trash out, fresh bag
- [ ] Open a window, turn on lamps

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