# Le Creuset

Thanksgiving Guide



## Turkey Talk

Thanksgiving is the perfect occasion to take stock of everything you're grateful for and to gather with those you cherish most. Mark the day with a delicious meal that will make it all the more memorable. Although turkey is what comes to mind when we think of Thanksgiving, there are many ways to adapt to this main based on your preferences. Serving a smaller group? Switch things up with a half turkey.

Prefer to go meatless? Serve a roasted and stuffed butternut squash for a similar effect. Get creative and make your own traditions!

If you are going the turkey route, here are some tips and tricks to ensure it's perfectly cooked.

# Choosing your turkey

When buying your turkey you want to calculate about 1 pound per person. Remember that smaller birds have slightly higher bone to meat ratio so you'll want to add a few pounds there.











Quantity:	3-4 people	5-6 people	7-8 people	9-10 people	up to 15 people
Thaw:	2 days	2-3 days	2-3 days	3-4 days	4 days
Cook:	2 ½ to 3hrs	2 ¾ to 3 ½ hrs	3 to 3 ¾ hrs	3 ½ to 4 ½ hrs	4 ¼ to 4 ½ hrs
Recommended size:	4.7 L Oval Dutch Oven	6.3 L Oval Dutch Oven	8.1 L Round Dutch Oven	12 L Round Dutch Oven	13.9 L Goose Pot

#### How to test if the turkey is ready

Approximately 30 minutes before the complete roasting time is reached, insert an instant-read thermometer in the breast, thigh, and stuffing.

BREAST

THIGH

STUFFING

165°F

175°F

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Before carving and serving, let your turkey rest for 20 - 30 minutes so it has time to reabsorb the juices.





### Dinnerware Essentials

Setting a beautiful table is arguably just as important as the meal itself. Create a memorable backdrop for the meal you so carefully put together by getting creative with colour pairings and decorations. Use our easy to follow guide for a picture-worthy setup.



#### Monochromatic



Sticking to one hue for your table and accessories can make for a very sleek look. It also allows your food to stand out and be the star of the table.

#### Contrasting

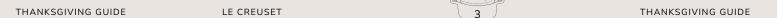


Mixing a bold colour with a muted one creates a striking contrast that makes a memorable table setting. Sometimes, that's all the décoryou need.

#### Matching Neutrals



If bright and bold colours aren't your thing, you can still mimic that effect by layering neutrals. The result is an elegant and puttogether look.



# Thanksgiving Checklist

Hosting Thanksgiving can be stressful but planning ahead will help make the day run smoothly, the meal more enjoyable, and the event more memorable for everyone!



#### 3 days ahead

- ☐ Buy your perishables

  Beat the crowds in grocery

  stores by heading out before
  the rush.
- ☐ **Defrost your turkey**The safest way to defrost is in the refrigerator, and in a deep pan to catch all the juices.

#### 2 days ahead

- ☐ Clean the house
  - Instead of stressing the morning of Thanksgiving, get it out of the way.
- Start peeling and dicing ingredients

Store them in airtight containers in the fridge so that they are ready to use.

#### 1 day ahead

- □ Bake your desserts
- Many can be stored at room temperature but refrigerated is best.
- ☐ Set the table

Start arranging your decorations, chairs and putting out the table settings. This will help you keep organized.



#### Thanksgiving Day



#### Preheat your oven

Set your alarm early and get your turkey in the oven as soon as possible.



#### Prepare your side dishes

While the turkey cooks, start making your sides using your pre-diced ingredients.



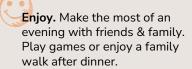
#### Prep the turkey and serve

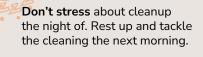
Once cooked, let it rest and bring your side dishes to the table while guests enjoy a cocktail.

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#### Warm up the dessert

As you feast, gently heat up your dessert in a warm oven.







Visit lecreuset.ca/recipes for the full recipes.



Mushroom Soup

FEATURED PRODUCT:
4.2 L ROUND DUTCH OVEN



Roasted Fall Vegetables

FEATURED PRODUCT:
3.8 L RECTANGULAR DISH





Classic Roast Turkey

FEATURED PRODUCT: GOOSE POT



Pumpkin Mascarpone Pie

FEATURED PRODUCT: 30 CM HERITAGE PIE DISH









# Grocery List

PRODUCE	NON-PERISHABLES	CONDIMENTS
GRAINS & BREAD	MEAT & SEAFOOD	DAIRY & EGGS
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# Kitchen Equipment List

So you're ready to cook a memorable Thanksgiving meal? Between selecting recipes, shopping for ingredients, and looking for table setting ideas, don't forget to stock your kitchen with the essential equipment, including knives, pots, pans, dinnerware, and plenty of oversized spoons.

TURKEY & GRAVY		SIDES & DESSERTS		TABLE SETTING	
	Rectangular Roaster		Round Dutch Oven		Revolution® Spoon
	Roasting Rack		Toughened Nonstick Pro		Dinner Plates
	Kitchen Twine		Braiser		Appetizer Plates
	Turkey Baster		Vegetable Peeler		Pitcher
	Revolution® Basting Brush	Ш	Revolution® Potato Masher		Decorative pumpkins or
	Meat Thermometer		Heritage Baking Dishes		dry flower arrangements
П	Carving Knife		Rolling Pin		Napkins
	Cutting board		Pie Weights (or dried beans)		Glassware
	Saucepan		Iron Handle Skillet		Cutlery
	Revolution® Balloon Whisk		Wire Racks		Serving Platter
			Ramekins		
	Revolution® Wire Skimmer		Salt and Pepper Mills		
	Gravy Boat				

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**BON APPÉTIT!** 

