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## Stylist's tips to create the perfect party background for Zoom Christmas celebrations

Style it out to party from home this year



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we move to digital platforms for festive parties our thoughts turn to creating the perfect party background for Zoom. And who better to help than Benji Lewis, interior designer and founder of Zoom that Room.

Christmas party season is here, but it's going to feel anything but normal this year. As

that you carry out an edit on what appears behind you during the calls,' says Benji. 'You want to appear box fresh and in control so consider the colours you showcase yourself against and tidy away any unnecessary clutter. I know it's Christmas but

festive period that you're relaxed and having a good time, I would advise nevertheless

'Whilst you clearly want to demonstrate to those with whom you Zoom over the

nobody wants to look like they have tinsel growing out of their ears so be mindful of how and where you position yourself against your backdrop.' Create a perfect party backgrounds for Zoom 1. Add pattern



2. Create ambience with candle light

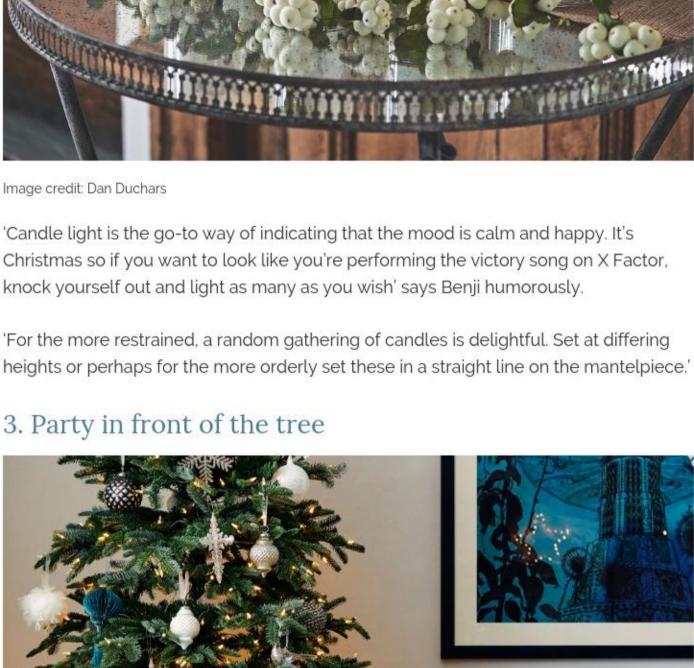
'A patterned backdrop can be a very effective way of conveying a more animated,

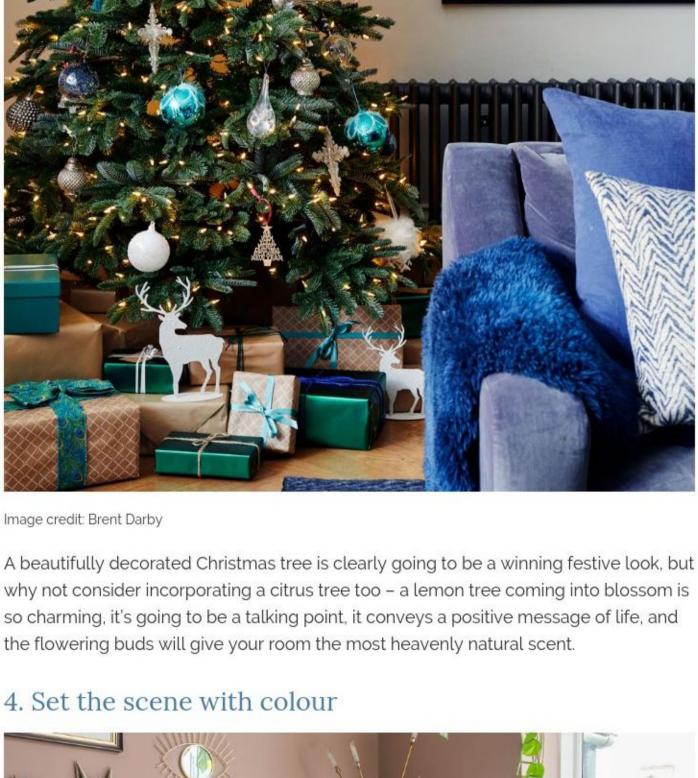
or a wallpaper with a pastoral scene'.

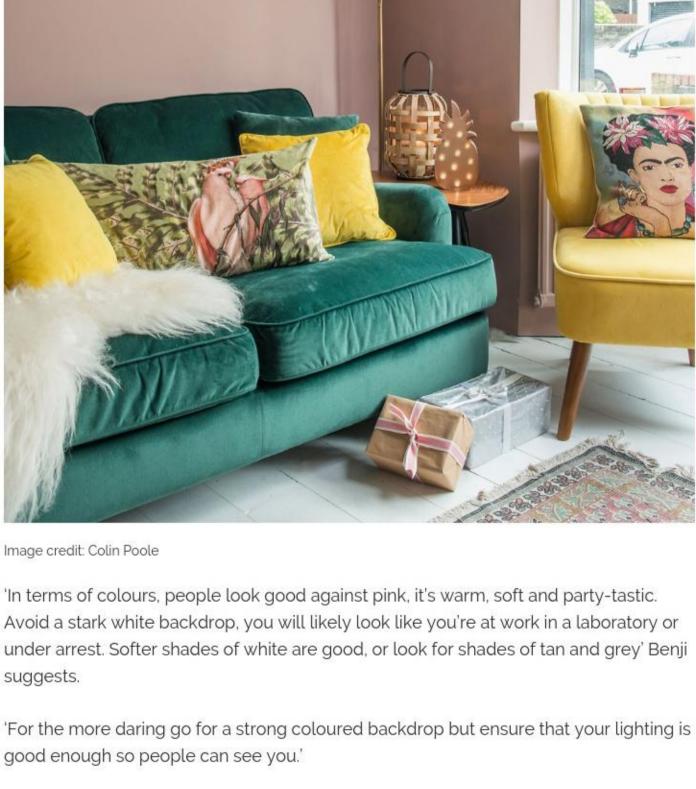
homely message. Consider setting yourself up in front of an oversized piece of artwork



3. Party in front of the tree

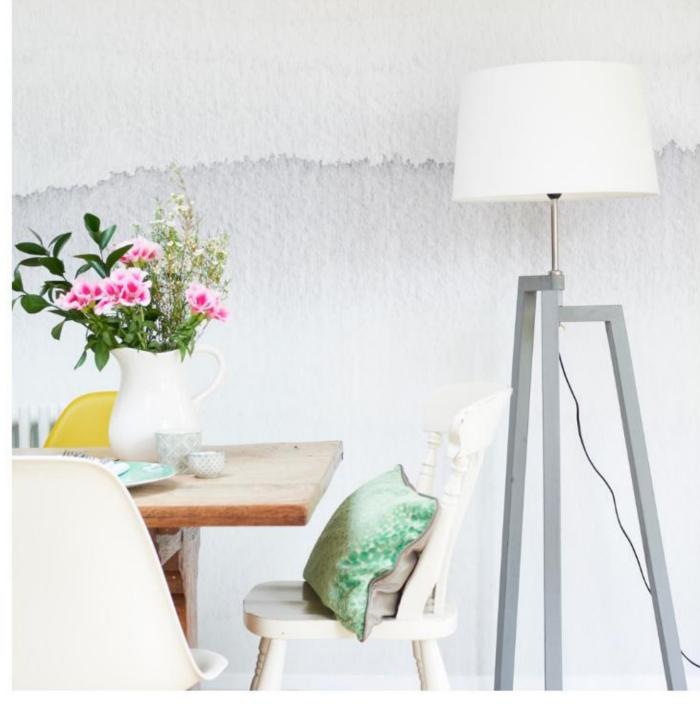






5. Use lighting wisely

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'When it comes to lighting, remember that this is holiday time, sitting under the glare of an undimmed overhead pendant will make you look like the Christmas turkey caught in the beam of Santa's sleigh lights' Benji ays in jest. 'I would leave any overhead lighting for the washing up part of the proceedings, it's useful but not

> 'Side lighting is likely to offer a more friendly side to you. But be prepared to dim, light bulbs can glare terribly - so look for warm white LED bulbs for your lamps.'