Cestari Shares Holiday Entertaining Guidance on Cocktail Ice Spheres and Infused Drinks

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As holiday gatherings approach, Cestari is drawing attention to practical drink preparation methods that help hosts serve beverages while spending less time behind the bar. The company, a kitchen tool maker, has outlined a set of entertaining tips centered on chilling, presentation, and advance preparation for both alcoholic and nonalcoholic options.

A central theme in the guidance involves slow-melting ice. Large spheres chill drinks with less dilution than standard cubes because they present less surface area to the liquid. Cestari produces a reusable stainless steel whiskey ice ball designed to keep scotch, vodka, and wine cold without watering them down, as well as a heat-safe silicone snowflake mold for forming decorative frozen spheres suited to seasonal presentation.

The company also addressed infused beverage options, which continue to grow in popularity among holiday hosts accommodating a range of guests. An infused water pitcher allows hosts to prepare flavored water, iced tea, or fruit-forward blends ahead of time, and the same pitcher can be used to prepare infused alcoholic drinks such as spirit- or wine-based blends steeped with fruit and herbs. Cestari noted that batching beverages before guests arrive is one way to reduce workload during a party.

"Hosts tell us the hardest part of entertaining is keeping drinks ready while still enjoying the evening," said Susan MacDowell, a spokesperson for Cestari. "Preparing an infused pitcher an hour or two before guests arrive means the flavors have time to develop, whether the host is serving flavored water or a spirit-based blend, and the host is free to spend time with company rather than refilling glasses."

The guidance encourages hosts to think about drink service the same way they plan a meal, with components prepared in stages. Spheres can be frozen a day in advance and stored until needed. A pitcher can be filled with citrus, cucumber, berries, or herbs in the morning and chilled through the afternoon, and the removable infusion component allows the same vessel to hold either an alcohol-free or a spirited blend. These steps, the company said, allow a host to offer both spirited and alcohol-free choices without constant attention.

MacDowell added that presentation often factors into drink service during the season. "A clear sphere in a glass or a pitcher layered with fruit and herbs signals care without requiring special skill," she said. "Small visual touches tend to make casual gatherings feel more festive."

Cestari pointed to several considerations for hosts selecting drink tools. Reusable chilling options reduce the need to manage bags of ice, and a single whiskey ice ball can be rinsed and refrozen between uses. Pitchers with removable infusion components make it easier to adjust flavor strength and to clean up after an event, and they accommodate both nonalcoholic and alcoholic infusions.

The company framed the information as part of its ongoing effort to share seasonal preparation tips through its news room and blog, where it regularly publishes material on cooking, entertaining, and kitchen techniques.

Cestari Kitchen specializes in kitchen tools designed for cooking, food preparation, and beverage service. The company offers its products through an online catalog, with every tool backed by a lifetime guarantee. Cestari also maintains a warranty registration program, a blog, and a news room that provide updates and practical guidance related to its products and the broader kitchenware industry.

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