

## Basting Beauty

If that perennial crowd-pleaser, a roast bird or beast, is part of your holiday entertaining plans, you'll want to check out this innovative baster from Cuisipro (\$13.99; 866•306•3672 for retailers). A generous 13 inches long so you can reach into the oven safely, the sturdy calibrated reservoir comes with two attachments: a perforated head that evenly showers sauces over meats, making basting more precise and effective, and a flavour injector that neatly delivers a marinade directly into a roast. Oh, and it's dishwasher-safe. What's not to like?



## Candle Power

Sebastien Centner loves a party and, as director of Eatertainment Special Events ([www.eatertainment.com](http://www.eatertainment.com)), he hosts some 800 a year! Centner weaves surprises into his party décor, turning a galvanized steel seed-starter tray (available at garden centres) into a thing of beauty by alternating white tea lights with the sparkle of mini holiday decorations. For most stunning results, team just two colours of decorations—red and silver for a trad look, or go contemporary with blue and brown. And, of course, place out of reach of children. **FD**

