Take Stock of Your Pantry!

- Before buying new items, check what you already have:
- Organize and rotate your pantry.
- Check expiration dates on canned goods and dry staples.
- List out gaps to avoid overbuying or understocking.

Plan Your Winter Meals

- Think of hearty, filling meals that your family enjoys:
- Soups and Stews
- Casseroles and One-Pot Meals
- Bread, Biscuits, and Baking Staples
- Make a meal list and break down the essential ingredients.

Preserve the Harvest

- Preserving your garden bounty ensures you'll enjoy summer flavors all winter:
- Canning: Tomatoes, applesauce, jams, pickles
- Freezing: Corn, peas, green beans, berries
- Dehydrating: Vegetables, fruits, herbs

Bulk Up on Pantry Staples

- Stock up on non-perishables that will serve as meal foundations:
- Grains: Rice, oats, flour, quinoa
- Beans and Lentils: Great for soups and side dishes
- Nuts and Seeds: Snack and baking essentials
- Spices: Cinnamon, garlic powder, thyme, cumin

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Stock Sustainable Proteins

- If you raise animals or buy in bulk, fill your freezer with proteins:
- Whole chickens and pork cuts
- Sausages and homemade bacon
- Vacuum-seal meats for freshness

Baking Essentials for Winter

- Stock up for scratch baking and holiday treats:
- Flour: Bread flour, all-purpose, whole wheat
- Sugars: Brown, white, molasses, powdered
- Baking Staples: Yeast, baking powder, vanilla extract

Organize Your Pantry and Freezer

- Keep things tidy and easy to access:
- Label all your preserves and frozen meals.
- Store in bins for quick access to staples.
- Rotate stock-use older items first.

Keep It Fun!

- Stocking up for winter doesn't have to feel like a chore!
- Enjoy the satisfaction of having your pantry full of wholesome, homemade goods.
- Celebrate your hard work and share tips with friends and family!

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