



Chinese New Year will usually be a very manic time leading up to the celebrations and festivities which is why we have made this comprehensive Chinese New Year Checklist for 2016, the year of the Yang Fire Monkey (Bing Shen). Chinese New Year brings so many jobs and tasks that need doing and every year around the home and office that I go through the home and office that I tend to forget things that need doing which is why I originally created a checklist to tick off as I go through all of the tedious tasks and last year, I decided to share it on the website for others to add or change how they like and the feedback has been amazing and I am so thankful for all of your kind words.

The list below is the same list that I go through every year during Chinese New Year and this year, I have tailored it to the year of the Monkey and included where to place the [2016 Annual Cures and Enhancers](#) and colour suggestions for the year which will hopefully make it a bit easier when going through everything before the start of the year of the Monkey.

Please feel free to share this list with your friends and family.

Chinese New Year 2016 (lunar) date for celebrating – 8th February 2016
 Chinese New Year 2016 (Solar) date for placing Cures – February 4th 2016
 2016 is the year of the Yang Fire Monkey (Bing Shen) 丙申

Kitchen

- Wash floors and walls
- Clean out fridge
- Clean out oven
- Organise cabinets, drawers etc and throw out old food and rubbish
- Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth
- Wipe down all cabinets, worktops etc
- Clean out microwave
- Bleach drains and sink
- Move out dishwasher, fridge and washing machine and clean behind
- Deep clean washing machine and dishwasher on empty cycle
- Clean behind kickboards
- Check carbon monoxide alarm
- Wash all windows and window frames
- Check smoke alarms
- Throw away any broken crockery
- Replace water filter
- Open windows to air room out
- Spray space clearing Essential oil around room
- Clean filters in oven
- Place fresh fruit in bowl, especially oranges to attract wealth
- Place Kitchen God

Garden and driveway

- Cut grass and lay seed or turf in dead patches
- Trim all trees and hedges and clear rubbish
- Wash down patio or decking and paint if necessary
- Remove all weeds and rubbish from garden including broken furniture and pots
- Wash all outside windows in the home both top and bottom
- Touch up any paint
- Clear drains and gutters
- Wash out recycling bins
- Clear out shed or outhouse
- Clean swimming pool/sauna
- Clean pots
- Check security lighting and replace bulbs if necessary
- Water plants if necessary
- Tidy away tools and brushes
- Clean chimney
- Clean out barbecue
- Clean doormats
- Clear driveway and entrance to home to attract Sheng Qi
- Avoid knives and scissors on New Year day

Hallway and landing

- Wash floors and walls or Hoover
- Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth
- Wash windows and frames
- Wipe down any cabinets or furniture
- Open windows to air room out

Bathrooms

- Deep clean bath, sink, bidet, toilet
- Bleach drains and toilet
- Wash floor or Hoover carpet
- Open windows to air room out
- Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth

- Check alarm system if present
- Wipe down doors with cloth
- Spray space clearing Essential oil around room

Garage

- Wash down garage door
- Sweep floor
- Wipe walls and ceiling down
- Clear any clutter and throw away rubbish
- Spray space clearing Essential oil around room
- Touch up any paint
- Open garage door to air out
- Check smoke detector

Cars

- Wash cars or take to car wash
- Check tyre pressures
- Check oil level
- Clean inside of car
- Throw away any rubbish
- Check coolant level
- Replace air freshener
- Clear air filter
- Top up petrol or diesel
- Fill washer fluid tank
- Check tyre tread depth

Dining room

- Throw away any clutter
- Organise drawers
- Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth
- Check light bulbs and replace if needed
- Vacuum or wash curtains and blinds
- Clean all furniture
- Wash windows and frames
- Wash or Hoover floor
- Dust all décor down
- Steam clean carpets
- Hoover and dust under furniture and bed
- Check smoke detectors
- Spray space clearing Essential oil around room
- Open windows to air room out

- Wash floors, walls and behind units
- Wash windows, frames and mirrors
- Spray space clearing Essential oil around room

Loft

- Clear cobwebs and dust
- Remove all clutter and throw away
- Check for holes or tears in lining
- Check water tank
- Check lighting fixtures and replace broken bulbs
- Spray space clearing Essential oil around room

Bedrooms

- Organise drawers
- Throw away any clutter or old clothes
- Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth
- Check light bulbs and replace if needed
- Vacuum or wash curtains and blinds
- Clean all furniture
- Flip or rotate mattress
- Wash sheets
- Wash windows and frames
- Wash or Hoover floor
- Dust all décor down
- Steam clean carpets
- Open windows to air room out
- Hoover and dust under furniture and bed
- Check smoke detectors
- Spray space clearing Essential oil around room

Living Room

- Throw away any clutter
- Organise drawers
- Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth
- Check light bulbs and replace if needed
- Vacuum or wash curtains and blinds
- Clean all furniture
- Wash or wipe sofa down
- Wash windows and frames
- Wash or Hoover floor
- Dust all décor down
- Steam clean carpets
- Hoover and dust under furniture and bed
- Clean television
- Spray space clearing Essential oil around room
- Open windows to air room out

Annual Cures and Enhancers for 2016

Northwest Coiled Dragon statue Long Yu Quan Bi	North Long Zhen Zhu Talisman Baohu Yizhi bottle Gourd	Northeast Yi Fan Feng Shun Six rod metal wind chime Salt water cure Six metal chinese coins tied in a row
West Xiang Xin Yuan Wish & Romance enhancer	Centre Six metal Chinese coins in a row Salt Water Cure	East Shuan Zhi Shang Pi Yao statue
Southwest Chu Men Chien Tsai Master Cure Tsai Sui plaque	South Hotei Buddha	Southeast Sheng Chi cure and enhancer Long Baota Dragon Pagoda Protection talisman

Fun facts and advice for Chinese New Year

- Ensure that house, flat, office or any other building is completely clean from top to bottom, to encourage good luck in the coming year.
- Open all the windows and doors in every single part of the home as this is said to bring in clean, new good luck for the year.
- Switch on all of the lights in the home inside and out as this is said to attract good luck from outside and if the windows and doors are wide open it is easy for the luck to enter. The bright lights and open windows are also used to scare away evil spirits.
- Buy a new pair of slippers at New Year, apparently it is said to stop people gossiping about you, In China, face and reputation is very important.
- Avoid arguments, using knives, driving too far and they love to gamble on New Year's Day as they hope to create good luck and wealth. You can read more on this below.
- Do not punish or discipline the children. Otherwise, they will have more arguments in the New Year.
- Refrain from using a knife or scissors in the kitchen.
- You should not wash yourself on this day which mean do not take a bath, shower or wash your hair on Chinese New Year's Day as this will wash away all good luck for you personally.
- Refrain from wearing black or white colours when visiting friends on this day as these colours are associated with funerals and death.
- Visit recently deceased friends or family on New Year's Day
- When you wake somebody up on this morning, do not use their name as it is said that this person will be dependent on you all year long to motivate them.
- Do not wash any clothes on this day as Chinese New Year Day is the birthday of the god of Water.
- Do not cut your hair or nails on this day as it is believed that you will be bringing pain to your relations.
- Keep everything positive and do not talk about anything negative on this day as you will be setting an example for how the rest of your year is to be lived.

2016 Annual Afflictions

Tai sui – southwest (232.5 – 247.5)

Sui po – northeast (52.5 – 67.5)

Three killings – South (142.5 – 217.5)

Annual 5 yellow – Northeast (22.5 – 67.5)

Notes

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