



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 2018, the year of the Yang Earth Dog (Wu Xu). 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 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 Dog and included where to place the [2018 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 Dog.

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

Chinese New Year 2018 (lunar) date for celebrating – 16th February 2018
 Chinese New Year 2018 (Solar) date for placing Cures – February 4th 2018

2018 is the year of the Yang Earth Dog (Wu Xu) 戊戌

Kitchen	Garden and driveway
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wash floors and walls <input type="checkbox"/> Clean out fridge <input type="checkbox"/> Clean out oven <input type="checkbox"/> Organise cabinets, drawers etc and throw out old food and rubbish <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe down all cabinets, worktops etc <input type="checkbox"/> Clean out microwave <input type="checkbox"/> Bleach drains and sink <input type="checkbox"/> Move out dishwasher, fridge and washing machine and clean behind <input type="checkbox"/> Deep clean washing machine and dishwasher on empty cycle <input type="checkbox"/> Clean behind kickboards <input type="checkbox"/> Check carbon monoxide alarm <input type="checkbox"/> Wash all windows and window frames <input type="checkbox"/> Check smoke alarms <input type="checkbox"/> Throw away any broken crockery <input type="checkbox"/> Replace water filter <input type="checkbox"/> Open windows to air room out <input type="checkbox"/> Spray space clearing Essential oil around room <input type="checkbox"/> Clean filters in oven <input type="checkbox"/> Place fresh fruit in bowl, especially oranges to attract wealth <input type="checkbox"/> Place Kitchen God 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Cut grass and lay seed or turf in dead patches <input type="checkbox"/> Trim all trees and hedges and clear rubbish <input type="checkbox"/> Wash down patio or decking and paint if necessary <input type="checkbox"/> Remove all weeds and rubbish from garden including broken furniture and pots <input type="checkbox"/> Wash all outside windows in the home both top and bottom <input type="checkbox"/> Touch up any paint <input type="checkbox"/> Clear drains and gutters <input type="checkbox"/> Wash out recycling bins <input type="checkbox"/> Clear out shed or outhouse <input type="checkbox"/> Clean swimming pool/sauna <input type="checkbox"/> Clean pots <input type="checkbox"/> Check security lighting and replace bulbs if necessary <input type="checkbox"/> Water plants if necessary <input type="checkbox"/> Tidy away tools and brushes <input type="checkbox"/> Clean chimney <input type="checkbox"/> Clean out barbecue <input type="checkbox"/> Clean doormats <input type="checkbox"/> Clear driveway and entrance to home to attract Sheng Qi <input type="checkbox"/> Avoid knives and scissors on New Year day
Hallway and landing	Bathrooms
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wash floors and walls or Hoover <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth <input type="checkbox"/> Wash windows and frames 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Deep clean bath, sink, bidet, toilet <input type="checkbox"/> Bleach drains and toilet <input type="checkbox"/> Wash floor or Hoover carpet

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe down any cabinets or furniture <input type="checkbox"/> Open windows to air room out <input type="checkbox"/> Check alarm system if present <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe down doors with cloth <input type="checkbox"/> Spray space clearing Essential oil around room 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Open windows to air room out <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth <input type="checkbox"/> Wash floors, walls and behind units <input type="checkbox"/> Wash windows, frames and mirrors <input type="checkbox"/> Spray space clearing Essential oil around room
<p style="text-align: center;">Garage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wash down garage door <input type="checkbox"/> Sweep floor <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe walls and ceiling down <input type="checkbox"/> Clear any clutter and throw away rubbish <input type="checkbox"/> Spray space clearing Essential oil around room <input type="checkbox"/> Touch up any paint <input type="checkbox"/> Open garage door to air out <input type="checkbox"/> Check smoke detector 	<p style="text-align: center;">Loft</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Clear cobwebs and dust <input type="checkbox"/> Remove all clutter and throw away <input type="checkbox"/> Check for holes or tears in lining <input type="checkbox"/> Check water tank <input type="checkbox"/> Check lighting fixtures and replace broken bulbs <input type="checkbox"/> Spray space clearing Essential oil around room
<p style="text-align: center;">Cars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wash cars or take to car wash <input type="checkbox"/> Check tyre pressures <input type="checkbox"/> Check oil level <input type="checkbox"/> Clean inside of car <input type="checkbox"/> Throw away any rubbish <input type="checkbox"/> Check coolant level <input type="checkbox"/> Replace air freshener <input type="checkbox"/> Clear air filter <input type="checkbox"/> Top up petrol or diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Fill washer fluid tank <input type="checkbox"/> Check tyre tread depth 	<p style="text-align: center;">Bedrooms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Organise drawers <input type="checkbox"/> Throw away any clutter or old clothes <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth <input type="checkbox"/> Check light bulbs and replace if needed <input type="checkbox"/> Vacuum or wash curtains and blinds <input type="checkbox"/> Clean all furniture <input type="checkbox"/> Flip or rotate mattress <input type="checkbox"/> Wash sheets <input type="checkbox"/> Wash windows and frames <input type="checkbox"/> Wash or Hoover floor <input type="checkbox"/> Dust all décor down <input type="checkbox"/> Steam clean carpets <input type="checkbox"/> Open windows to air room out <input type="checkbox"/> Hoover and dust under furniture and bed <input type="checkbox"/> Check smoke detectors <input type="checkbox"/> Spray space clearing Essential oil around room
<p style="text-align: center;">Dining room</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Throw away any clutter <input type="checkbox"/> Organise drawers <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth <input type="checkbox"/> Check light bulbs and replace if needed <input type="checkbox"/> Vacuum or wash curtains and blinds <input type="checkbox"/> Clean all furniture <input type="checkbox"/> Wash windows and frames <input type="checkbox"/> Wash or Hoover floor <input type="checkbox"/> Dust all décor down <input type="checkbox"/> Steam clean carpets <input type="checkbox"/> Hoover and dust under furniture and bed <input type="checkbox"/> Check smoke detectors <input type="checkbox"/> Spray space clearing Essential oil around room <input type="checkbox"/> Open windows to air room out 	<p style="text-align: center;">Living Room</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Throw away any clutter <input type="checkbox"/> Organise drawers <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe cobwebs from ceiling and corners with cloth <input type="checkbox"/> Check light bulbs and replace if needed <input type="checkbox"/> Vacuum or wash curtains and blinds <input type="checkbox"/> Clean all furniture <input type="checkbox"/> Wash or wipe sofa down <input type="checkbox"/> Wash windows and frames <input type="checkbox"/> Wash or Hoover floor <input type="checkbox"/> Dust all décor down <input type="checkbox"/> Steam clean carpets <input type="checkbox"/> Hoover and dust under furniture and bed <input type="checkbox"/> Clean television <input type="checkbox"/> Spray space clearing Essential oil around room <input type="checkbox"/> Open windows to air room out

2018 Annual Afflictions

Tai sui – northwest (292.5 – 307.5)

Sui po – southeast (112.5 – 127.5)

Three killings – north (322.5 – 37.5)

Annual 5 yellow – north (337.5 – 22.5)

Annual Cures and Enhancers for 2018

<p>Northwest</p> <p>Arowana fish sitting on bed of coins</p> <p>Jiang Wu Tai Sui Plaque</p>	<p>North</p> <p>Six Chinese i-ching coins In a row</p> <p>Salt water cure</p> <p>Six rod hollow metal wind chime</p>	<p>Northeast</p> <p>Baohulu protection gourd</p> <p>Dragon Chasing Pearl tablet</p>
<p>West</p> <p>Six Chinese i-ching coins In a row</p> <p>Salt water cure</p> <p>Guanshiyin Protection bell</p>	<p>Centre</p> <p>Crystal globe for wealth and success</p> <p>Wealth and romance charm</p>	<p>East</p> <p>Huaxianweiyi Sheng Chi Cure and Enhancer</p>
<p>Southwest</p> <p>Wu Fu five bats of wealth and success</p>	<p>South</p> <p>Taohua Mandarin ducks</p> <p>Shou Kun qi Fu Wish & romance enhancer</p>	<p>Southeast</p> <p>Jiebaopinchan Master Cure</p> <p>Cai Leishui Crystal talisman</p>

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.

Notes

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Recommendations for 2018

Northwest

- A brass Wu-Lou would be good for a bedroom that falls into the northwest along with blue, black, grey or charcoal colours. This is especially so if you are not in good health and if you cannot buy a wu lou place a heavy round object close to your bed but avoid candles or colours red, pink, purple or any fire colours.
- Place a [Jiang Wu Tai Sui plaque](#) in the northwest in 2018 to appease and pay respect to Tai Sui this year.
- Avoid candles or fire colours like red, pink, purple, orange or burgundy in the northwest in 2018, blues, blacks, grey or charcoal are good colours to use.
- Place a statue of an [Arowana fish sitting on a bed of coins](#) in the northwest to enhance and protect existing and new wealth.
- Metal objects are good to place in the NW in 2018.
- [Clicking here will take you to our page of all of our cures and enhancers for the annual #1 star](#)
- Naturally not as powerful but round metal shapes are an alternative to using Feng Shui items but avoid sharp or menacing looking metal objects.

North

- Avoid playing loud music in the north of the home or room.
- Do not decorate your room with red or earth colours this year. Grey, blue or white beddings and curtains are good colours to use temporarily.
- Place a [salt water cure](#) in the north of the building along with [six Chinese coins tied in a row with red ribbon](#) and [six hollow metal rod wind chime](#).
- The six coins in row and salt cure are a crucial cure to place in 2018, please do not forget it.
- Place a Brass Wu-Lou in the north corner of the room if this is your bedroom.
- Metal objects such as six Chinese metal coins tied in a red ribbon and/or a brass Dragon can be placed in this corner too. Do not to use red dragons.
- Do not place red objects, burning candles or triangular shaped furnishing in this sector.
- Most of all, avoid disturbing the north at all costs. Any form of renovations that needs to be done, plan it for another year. It is worth keeping this in mind.
- Tsai Shen Yeh (God of wealth) in a gold colour is very effective at not only reducing the bad earth but by also protecting your wealth for the year in the north.
- Replace or at the very least cleanse your Ba Gua mirror in the north especially if you have a door here.
- If you have a main door in the north make sure you oil the hinges and try not to let it bang shut and oil squeaky hinges.
- If you use a fan or other machines that creates noise or vibration try and avoid placing it in the north

Northeast

- Place a light in the northeast If you have a choice, a lamp with a wooden stand and a peach/red shade is better.
- Do not hang wind chimes of any material in the northeast in 2018, especially metal wind chimes as it will worsen matters.
- Take extra security measures for the whole home or business during 2018 and check smoke alarms.
- Place a [Baohulu protection gourd](#) to suppress the negative influences of the annual #3 in the northeast this year
- Check through everything before signing documents if your office is in the northeast.
- Beware of backstabbing, as sometimes it is unseen and behind your back and also from someone you thought you knew quite well.
- Place a [Dragon Chasing Pearl tablet](#) in the northeast in 2018 for protection

part of a room, get yourself a good compass.

West

- Hang a [Guanshiyin Protection bell](#) in the west of your home or office in 2018
- Place a salt water cure
- You do not need all Dragons and bells, you can use any metal ornament as long as it is not sharp or aggressive looking, and believe it or not a good cure is a round metal dog bowl or weight lifters weights.
- Hang six Chinese coins tied in red ribbon.
- A brass wealth ingot is good for protecting wealth.
- Place a gold coloured three legged Toad with an i-ching coin underneath.
- Place a Wu Lou and/or other metal ornaments to dissipate the negative earth.
- A metal singing bowl is very good as is a stainless steel Dog bowl.
- Avoid using red colour in this room and refrain from displaying triangle shape or fiery pictures.
- Avoid candles or bright lights at all costs. Check or upgrade smoke alarms and other fire prevention methods.

Centre

- Healthy green leafy plants or blue flowering plants such as violets are good for this area.
- Place [Fu shi jian earth globe for wealth and success](#) in the centre of your home and office and remember to spin it regularly
- Fresh flowers displayed here will bring positive qi too.
- Place a [Wealth and romance charm](#) in the centre of your home or office for 2018
- Symbolic objects such as a wu lou or eight Chinese coins can be placed here all year round to enhance benevolent influence and at the same time dissipate the malevolent influence by the visiting monthly #2 and #5.

East

- You should also use more blue in your decoration. You can introduce the colour with cushions, rugs, bed covers or doormats.
- Do not use anything of fire element or colours red to control it as this may aggravate it.
- Avoid candles at all costs.
- Place a [Huaxianweiyi Sheng Chi Cure and Enhancer](#) in the east of your home or office in 2018 for protection
- Install or service/upgrade smoke alarms and security systems.
- Do not hang metal wind chimes here

Southwest

- If this is your bedroom, a shade of blue or black in your furnishing or décor may help with health. A blue painting (not water scene) may also do.
- Place a [Wu Fu five bats of wealth and success talisman](#) in the southwest of your home or office this year to enhance and protect wealth.
- Real quartz crystal is very good in the southwest for 2018 as is faceted crystal spheres.
- Avoid colours red and candles in the southwest in 2018

South

- Use blue in your décor if this is your office or bedroom.
- Place a [Taohua Mandarin ducks statue](#) in the south of your home or office
- For office and studies, place a task light and a crystal globe on the work desks. Blue items can be added on the desk e.g. blue paper, blue books etc
- Avoid displaying too much metal objects here especially large heavy ornaments.
- Place a [Shou Kun qi Fu Wish & romance enhancer](#)
- Fresh flowers or small pots of green leafy or flowering plants can be displayed in this spot of the house to lift the qi. Blue or green flowers are a good choice.

Southeast

- Hang a [Cai Leishui Crystal talisman](#) in the southeast of your home or office for 2018
- Keep the southeast of your home or office quiet during 2018 and do not break ground unless necessary
- Place a [Jiebaopinchuan Master Cure](#) for wealth protection in the southeast in 2018
- Introduce some fire colours into the southeast to balance the energies, a quick and easy way is using bed covers, rugs, table covers, sofa throws etc.
- If your bedroom is here, you can also place an amethyst or any crystal items in the southeast of the bedroom to further strengthen the earth element of the benevolent 8.

- If you have the Taohua mandarin Ducks, this is a good area to have them and any other symbols of romance like hugging couples etc.
- Place photos of loved ones or images of love to enhance relationships or attract new love. This can be done with photos, paintings or statues, make sure there is always a pair in the image.
- For romance, a Dragon headed Tortoise is very good
- Place a red Tsai Shen Yeh statue in the southeast to protect wealth in 2018
- This is also a good study area for children provided they are quiet. Place a task light and a crystal globe on the desk to enhance concentration.
- A romance enhancer is a pair of rose quartz Mandarin Ducks in the southeast this year.
- Keep the area outside and inside the southeast, northwest and southwest as clear clutter free and open as possible, you need to let the auspicious Qi collect here and distribute inside and outside, when this happens it is known as Ming Tang, this is a collection of Sheng Chi (auspicious energy)