

A Christmas Tree in the White House, 1998, 32 pages, Gary Hines, Henry Holt and Company (BYR), 1998, 9780805050769

White House Garden Tour. Easter Egg Roll. National Christmas Tree. The walkway surrounding the National Christmas Tree features 56 state and territory trees decorated with ornaments designed by students that are unique to each tree. The National Christmas Tree lights turn on around sunset each evening and turn off promptly at 10:00 pm Sunday-Thursday and 11:00 pm on Friday and Saturday. Performers during the 2015 season. NPS/A.Garrison. National Christmas Tree Music Program. Due to COVID-19-related public health concerns, the National Park Service and National Park Foundation will not host 2020 National Christmas Tree music program this year. Please check back Christmas Trees line the hall during the White House Christmas preview in the Cross Hall of the White House on Monday, Nov. 26, 2018 in Washington, DC. (Photo by Jabin Botsford/The Washington Post via Getty Images). The Washington Post "The Washington Post/Getty Images. Melania Trump's 2017 White House decorations were another playful memory lane trip. US President Ronald Reagan and First Lady Nancy Reagan decorate the White House Christmas tree, 24 December 1983. (Photo by Ronald Reagan Library/Getty Images). Ronald Reagan Library/Getty Images. Here's how the volunteers bring the White House Christmas decorations to life. Most of the prep happens in an off-site warehouse, the location of which is kept under wraps. Christmas is just around the corner but the president refuses to cut down an evergreen to decorate the White House. Although his six children beg for one, the commander in chief believes that his conservation efforts are too important to compromise. Nevertheless, his two youngest sons conspire with their aunt and sneak a small tree into their bedroom closet. Snappy dialogue, lots of action, and a small conspiracy quickly move the plot along. Ages 5-7. Loosely based on a true event, this picture book recalls the story of President Theodore Roosevelt's refusal to allow a Christmas tree in the White House because having one would conflict with his conservation program: "It's not good to cut down trees for mere decoration. We must set a good example for the people of America." The White House Christmas Decorations Look Strikingly Normal. Blood-red trees these are not. The White House Christmas decorations, themed "America the Beautiful." Credit...Doug Mills/The New York Times. By Steven Kurutz. Nov. 30, 2020. Leer en espaol. Among the newsworthy comments Mrs. Trump made in the book and in secretly recorded conversations Ms. Winston Wolkoff released was her complaint about the chore of the holidays, and her negative press coverage compared to her predecessor, Michelle Obama. Mrs. Trump was heard on the recordings delivering a profanity-laced rant about "Christmas stuff" and decorations. The first known Christmas tree in the White House was placed upstairs in the Second Floor Oval Room (then used as a family parlor and library) in 1889 (during the Benjamin Harrison administration). It was decorated with candles for the Harrison grandchildren. Not all White House families after the Harrisons set up Christmas trees. The tradition typically depended on one of the following: the presence of young children or grandchildren; if the first families were in residence at the White House during the holiday; or if the family traditionally celebrated Christmas with a tree. The record for the number of trees in the White House was held for many years by the Dwight Eisenhower administration when 26 trees filled the Executive Mansion in 1959.