

## HOW TO BUILD THE PERFECT TABLE

The overall dining experience must make an impact! Your patrons expect an upscale, fresh look that is both functional and comfortable.

To create a dynamic tabletop, many elements must be taken into consideration, such as color, texture, and weight. By successfully blending those elements together through the use of table padding, tablecloths, napkins, and tableware, the design and function evolve.

Although you will ultimately make your selections based on menu, budget, and personal preference, strive to meet the expectations of your patrons.

Here are some helpful hints:

### 1. SELECT TABLE PADDING

To add comfort and cushioning to your table, use table padding. Table padding not only helps to muffle noise, but reduces china and glassware breakage.



### 2. SELECT TABLECLOTH

The color or design of the tablecloth sets the mood; bold jewel tones add drama, a subtle pastel promotes quiet. Next, determine the best fabric to suit your needs. Vinyl tablecloths are low maintenance - just wipe the surface clean with a soft, damp cloth. Fabrics such as DuraLast™ 100% Polyester, SoftWeave™ Spun Filament Polyester, and TruFinish™ 100% Polyester can be machine washed and dried and offer excellent color, size, and shape retention.



### 3. SELECT NAPKINS

Napkins add a splash of color to the tabletop or can be color matched to your tablecloth. The fold you select also sets the level of elegance. (See napkin folds on pages 52-53)



### 4. SELECT TABLEWARE

Your tableware provides the finishing touch to your tabletop. For a complete listing of Carlisle's tableware products, call for your FREE catalog (800) 654-8210 or (405) 475-5600, or visit our website: [www.carlislefp.com](http://www.carlislefp.com)

