

## Safety: Open fire

The glow from open fire casts a romantic mood light, but it needs special attention to burn safely.

## Candle safety



- Never leave a candle burning when there is no one in the room to enjoy it. It is very easy to forget about it.
- Keep candles far enough apart so they cannot melt each other. Check candle packaging or the safety instructions that come with your candles.
- Keep candles a safe distance from anything flammable.
- Never put a candle into a shelving unit, since the heat from the flame can ignite the shelf above.
- Be especially careful with candle accessories that attach to the outside or rest near the bottom of a candle. Do not allow the flame to get near the accessories.

## Fireplace



When you burn a fire in your fireplace, always keep the fireplace screen in front of it and keep rugs and furniture at a safe distance. The screen will help prevent children from getting too near the flames, and protects rugs and furniture from flying sparks.

## Smoke detector



Local fire and building regulations for the use of smoke detectors should be your guide for the use of smoke detectors in a home.

For extra safety, install smoke detectors on the ceilings outside each bedroom, where you can hear them when they go off, and one in the kitchen, where fires often start.