


# How to Spring Clean Your Closet



A simple plan to organize and prepare.

# Lets get Started!



It's almost that time....Spring Cleaning! It's time to clean your closet, get rid of that clutter, and organize, organize, organize!

Are you unsure what to do with your piles of unnecessary items that have been accumulating over the past year?

Here are a few ways you can get rid of the mess, while relieving your stress!

## Tip

When beginning to sort through things, it's good to have a Sharpie in hand to label each item you're picking up, such as items reserved for recycling, donations, dry-cleaning or repairing, trash, moving to winter-storage, or maybe just returning to the closet, etc.

Start at the bottom. Most of us keep our shoes there, and while parting with shoes can be hard, it's best to get it over with first and get comfortable with the idea of leaving things behind that you don't use enough to keep.

Think about the last time you wore each pair of shoes and if it's been forever (or never) consider giving them away to charity! The shoes you do wear and love put them to the side in your pile of "return to the closet" things.

Also, if you're looking to create more space when organizing your closet, shoe racks are great for that. It leaves you with some extra room, while your shoe pairs are together and neat.

## Tip

Most of us keep clothes because we think we'll wear it "someday" when usually we never do.


Now it's time to do the same with clothes. Go through each and every piece of clothing in the closet and check for fallen clothes on the floor too, this usually happens when hangers jam together, suggesting that you're overloading the closet with clutter. Think about what you wear and don't wear.

Deciding to let go of some old clothes can bring a lot of new space to the closet, and giving them to charity is always a nice gesture. So just throw the clothes you do want to keep in the "back to the closet" pile and the clothes you'll part with to the "donations" stack.




## Tip

Organize by Seasons. While most of us organize everything once a year, around spring, it's a good idea to do this about 3 times a year (winter, spring, summer).



When its time to put the keepers back, start with hangers, also, they can hold more than clothes (tops, pants, dresses, etc.) for example, accessories such as bags purses, and scarfs. This is a great way to keep those items off the floor and organized. When you are putting the clothes back, arrange items by item type, color or designer.



While this isn't completely necessary, seeing this much organization does feel good when opening your closet doors. Shelving is an excellent way of arranging too. They are easy to put in, low-cost, and provide space for those items you would like to be placed on display. Storage bins are a big help in organizing too! They can hold a lot of things, and they come in a variety of cool patterns.

Now that you've re-organized your entire closet, gone through loads of clothes, shoes, and items you didn't even know you had, why not make it smell fresh?

## Tip

Find a sachet or air freshener that suits you, as they come in all different scents so whether you choose apple cinnamon or citrus, it's sure to make your closet storage more pleasant.

**Purchases** - List things to buy like hangers, shoe organizers etc.:

**Dry Clean** - List items that need to be dry-cleaned below:

**Alterations** - List items that need Alterations: