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FROM THE CLOSET CLARITY COMPENDIUM COLLECTION

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Welcome



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Hello Friend,

I am an Organizing Expert and Educator and the owner of Simplify You. I have been organizing homes in the Washington DC area since 2003. In 2008, I earned the coveted distinction of CPO: Certified Professional Organizer. There are fewer than 350 CPOs worldwide!

What's more, I have a Bachelor's in Fine Arts degree in Costume Design and designed for the Joffery Ballet and the Juilliard School. I was also a Wardrobe Mistress for "Driving Miss Daisy" and sold clothing at the Chanel Boutique in Manhattan as well as managed a boutique clothing store in the UK All to say I know a bit about clothing and want to teach you too!

Please enjoy this BONUS for the Comprehensive Closet Clarity Compendium!

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HANGERS are the KEY component for HANGING in your closet.

Here are six hanger rules to live by!

1. BE CONSISTENT

Make sure all your hangers are the same. Whether they're all wood, plastic, or velvet, invest in uniform hangers. My favorites are black velvet with swivel chrome hooks. When purchasing wood hangers the FLAT ones are best, as you can fit more. These wood ones come in black, white, natural, cherry and vintage to match any closet!

2. SIZE MATTERS

Hangers are NOT "one size fits all"! They do come in different WIDTHS. Average hangers are between 17" and 18" wide. If you have a smaller shoulder span, buy "PETITE" hangers that are only 14.5" wide. These smaller hangers will prevent the hanger end from stretching out your clothing and leaving annoying fabric bumps.

3. GET THE BAR

I always recommend hangers with a bottom crossbar instead of a "shirt" hanger without one. The bar makes the hanger much more sturdy and versatile. With a bar, you can hang pants, jeans, and scarves, or add a clip and hang your skirts.





Six Hanger Rules Continued

4. NO SHARING

Always SEPARATE your suiting and ONLY hang ONE garment on each hanger. Don't "hide" a tank under a blouse, or pants under a jacket. Hanging each item separately will help you SEE each item and perhaps create new combinations for your outfits.

5. BLACK IS BEST

If you are choosing flocked or plastic hangers, black hangers are easy to "match" when you need replacement hangers. "Fashion" colors are NOT. Those colors are often discontinued and hard to find when you need to add more. And white can yellow after time.

6. CONSIDER YOUR HANGER "INTEGRITY"

Face your hangers all the SAME way! I want to have them face the same direction so that it is easy to make the seasonal switch. Usually, I say think of the curve of a question mark -? - and make them all face that way. But remember, in order to see what you really wear - start the season with the hooks in the OPPOSITE direction.

For shelves, I suggest that BINS and/or BASKETS are BEST!





Here are Eight Reasons Why

1. Bins are a great solution to store hard-to-fold items.
2. It is much easier to get a bin down from a high shelf.
3. Piles are nearly impossible to keep tidy looking, especially up high, even with shelf dividers.
4. Belts, scarves, swimwear, shapewear, socks, sportswear and more - are perfect to put in labeled bins or baskets.
5. Bins can easily be swapped seasonally. For example, your winter wear bin goes up and your swimwear bin comes down to access.
6. The medium size of this plastic bin fits great on 14” deep shelves. NEVER purchase a "fashion" color. White is best IMHO.
7. Note - always use the same kind of bin or basket for visual uniformity. Perhaps purchase a few extra so they always match
8. FINALLY, make sure they are boldly labeled!





Bins & Baskets

Here are some other great bin options that fit well on a standard 14" closet shelf. Add a clear bin label so you know what the contents are and you are good to go!



Fabric Storage Bin



Plastic Storage Basket



Rectangle Storage Basket



Woven Basket