

NEWSWORTHY TRENDS

Shop Your Own Closet

(NAPSA)—Even when your purse strings are a little tight, you can still beat ever-changing fashion fads by “shopping” your own closet.

Your closet is an extension of your personal style, and whether that’s romantic, boho-chic or classic, there’s a way to make it work for you. Here are some helpful tips on how to create a closet worthy of any boutique while maximizing the wardrobe you already own.

- **Become inspired.** Scour magazines and books for outfit inspirations.

- **Edit.** How can you create a chic outfit when you can’t find half your clothes? Clear the clutter and introduce order to an overstuffed closet by taking an inventory of what you already own. Make three piles—keep, donate or discard—and edit your wardrobe to reflect your style and what looks best on you.

- **Get organized.** Go from disorganized to divine with do-it-yourself closet and room organizers, a smart and budget-friendly solution for taming disorder. To help locate items later, try grouping your clothes by style (that is, pants, skirts, T-shirts) or by color, with all pieces facing the same way. It makes it easy to coordinate outfits and choose accessories on the fly.

- **Be creative.** With a little imagination and some rearranging, you can create looks with what you already own. Trendy and classic pieces are just lurking somewhere in the depths of your wardrobe—a classic trench, an any-occasion top, that basic black



A well-organized closet can help you maximize the wardrobe you already own.

dress or a pencil skirt. Need a quick outfit update? Cardigans add a punch of color while bold belts are an inexpensive way to update your wardrobe.

- **Assemble a style file.** Did a to-die-for outfit just pop into your mind? Jot it down. Keep a binder of outfit snapshots by groups, such as dressy or casual, or by style trends. Your go-to outfit may be just a thought away.

- **Showcase your closet.** Your closet can become a focal point of your room—even an artful display. Fortunately, creating the look of a custom closet doesn’t have to cost a fortune. ClosetMaid® offers a variety of storage and organization products, from shoe racks to open shelving and drawers, to fit any design aesthetic and budget.

- **Get inspiration and help getting started.** To view storage solutions that fit any decor and budget or to access an online design tool, visit www.ClosetMaid.com. For additional information, call (800) 874-0008.