



THE STYLERY'S

Closet Clean Out Guide

Make time, get a trusted person and have fun!

Empty & Clean

Remove all items (clothing, shoes, handbags, accessories and jewelry) out and thoroughly dust and clean storage areas. Depending on number of items you own, you can clean out everything at once or break it down one category at a time so it doesn't feel overwhelming.

Evaluate & Separate

Carefully look at each item and try on in front of a mirror. Make separate pile for each: **keep**, **donate**, **alter/repair**, **reuse/recycle**. Be very critical when evaluating each item. Does it fit properly? Does it support my current stage of life? Does it help create looks that make me feel confident?

What to Keep

Your keep pile should be items that are clean, not damaged, fits your body now and supports your current career and lifestyle. When incorporated into a look, you should feel great with it.

What to Alter & Repair

Your alter & repair pile should be items that follow the keep rules, but need slight alterations or repair broken/missing pieces to make them wearable, but keeps the integrity of the design. Ex: hem shortened or lengthened, sides taken in or let out, re-sew button(s), fix broken zipper, repair seams).

What to Donate

Your donate pile should be items that are not damaged, does not fit your body now and does not support your current career or lifestyle. Do not donate anything that is stained or needs repair. Charities do not have the resources to clean or repair.

What to Recycle & Reuse

Take items to textile recycling if they are beyond repair, badly stained and you don't want reused. Sometimes items can be reused (e.g. t-shirt into wiping cloth) or completely re-designed if you love the fabric or it has sentimental value. See our [inspirations](#).

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