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Six Tips to Organize your Closet

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With the change of seasons up us, you probably have the itch to organize your closet (I know I do!) Next time you set out to clear out your closet, keep these **C-L-O-S-E-T** organizing tips in mind. **C is for Clear-out and Categorize.** The best way to organize your closet is to clear it out completely. As you empty your closet, categorize items by garment type. This makes it easy to see how much you have and will simplify your decision-making process.

L is for Let Go. Let go of any item that no longer fits - your body, your lifestyle or your sense of style.

O is for Organize. Organize the items you decide to keep into a system that makes it easier to get dressed in the morning. For example, organize your clothes into outfits to take all the guesswork out of deciding what to wear, or group clothes by garment type and color to make it simple to find what you're looking for in the morning.

S is for Storage. Once you've decided what clothes to keep, use storage solutions to stretch your closet storage space and to make items easier to see and access.

E is for Edit Regularly. Make it a habit to go through your clothes regularly. If you notice you avoid a certain pair of jeans every morning when you get dressed - let them go! You'll keep your closet organized and functional longer, which means you get to enjoy the bliss of an organized closet for weeks (or even months!) at a time.

T is for Take Action! If you're now inspired to organized your closet, decide when you will take action. Look at your calendar and schedule a closet-organizing session for an upcoming weekend morning or a free week day.



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