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Mississauga – With the hustle and bustle of the entertaining and gift-giving season behind us, it's time to stop and evaluate storage to find space for those pretty new cashmere sweaters. Fear not, organization doesn't have to be an all or nothing proposition. Sometimes the simple addition of a clever jewellery box or a few baskets makes all the difference in the way your space functions and feels. HomeSense turned to designer Virginie Martocq for ideas on how to organize your closet in a way that is anything but bland.

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VIRGINIE MARTOCQ is a former magazine editor and designer with over ten years of editorial experience. She blends classic style with edgy and fashion-forward trends for looks that are both practical and inspiring.



call to ORDER

These days, the dream closet is not something that needs to be hidden behind closed doors. With readily available and stylish storage solutions for all of your wardrobe needs, pretty hangers, beautiful baskets and chic boxes beg to be on display. And they don't need to match! Select baskets of many shapes and sizes in a similar tone – the variety of woven textures adds interest.

ABOVE: WOOL RUG \$999.99, COMPARE AT \$2,000; WOODEN ARMCHAIR \$129.99, COMPARE AT \$200; DESK WITH FLUTED LEGS \$499.99, COMPARE AT \$1,000; WOVEN PLASTIC LAUNDRY HAMPER \$19.99, COMPARE AT \$35; WOVEN BASKETS FROM \$14.99 EACH, COMPARE AT \$25 EACH AND UP; FLORAL SUITCASE WITH HANDLE \$14.99, COMPARE AT \$30; SHOE RACK \$12.99, COMPARE AT \$18.





the HANG OF IT

Ditch the dry-cleaner freebies and treat your clothing to proper hangers for each garment type. Keep pants looking fresh with open-ended hangers in foam-coated metal and opt for superthin flocked hangers in small closets. The velvet-like finish will make sure delicate cami straps don't slip off.

WOVEN BASKET \$24.99, COMPARE AT \$40; OPEN END SLACK HANGERS \$8.99/SET OF 8, COMPARE AT \$15; FLOCKED HANGERS WITH CLIPS \$7.99/SET OF 6, COMPARE AT \$12.

belt IT OUT

Closet has no drawers? No problem. A tray – or several – can act as drawers when placed on open shelving. Trays become even more useful with the addition of patterned fabric dividers, which are the perfect spot to stash coiled belts or scarves.

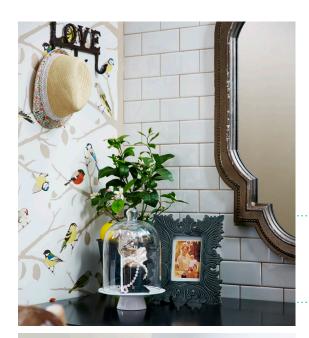
LACQUERED TRAY \$19.99, COMPARE AT \$50; PATTERNED FABRIC TRAYS WITH SECTIONS \$6.99 EACH, COMPARE AT \$12 EACH.



bench MARK

Look for storage-savvy pieces of furniture outside the closet to amp up overall functionality of the bedroom. An ottoman is a comfy perch for dressing and offers hidden storage for everything from out-of-season apparel to extra cushions and bedding.

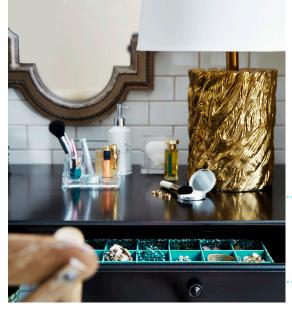
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on the HOOK

Consider simple wall hooks which come in many shapes, styles and sizes. They can be easily snuck into a small space, even mounted on the side of a closet. Hooks are perfect for hanging necklaces or hats, and making use of wall space helps keep surface areas clutter-free.

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Lucite storage is the perfect solution for small cosmetics items and allows you to quickly scan for the right tube of lipstick. A handsome desk makes an ideal vanity and is even more functional when shallow fabric trays with sections are set inside the drawers for easy access to jewellery.

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