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Stylish Ways to Get

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Bench your
belongings.

FIND A SHORT SHELVING UNIT.

This one, featured on
the blog *Cherished Bliss*,
fits buckets and bins.
They're excellent for
hiding unsightly must-
haves in your entry.



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Show off your shoes.

Put your prettiest foot forward with this artistic answer to storage, ideal for a bedroom or a walk-in closet.

E decorative crown molding that has at least an inch of "lip" so heels have a place to hang. Paint to match your wall color.

to the wall. For extra grip, glue thin strips of rubber drawer liners (from a hardware store) to the top.

| **Crown molding**, homedepot.com.
Chair, \$382, wisteria.com.
Paint (on chair), Raspberry Rush by Olympic Paints.



A bookcase creates a boutique vibe.

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Control kitchen chaos.



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Flat surfaces are a mecca for clutter, and the kitchen has plenty. Keep them clean and clear with these tips.

ORGANIZE BY JOB.

Keep cleaning tools and products under the sink, utensils and pots near the range and cookbooks close to a desk or table.

DISPLAY THE NECESSITIES.

Leave out only small appliances (e.g., the coffeemaker and toaster) and other items you use daily. Everything else should be hidden so it doesn't take up valuable real estate.

SET IT AND FORGET IT.

The kitchen table can get overloaded with random knickknacks. Keep it "set" with place mats, napkins and a center fruit bowl or vase. When it looks nice, friends and family members are less likely to use it as a catchall.

GET THIS LOOK | Towel, onekingslane.com. **Olive serving board,** \$27, abchome.com. **Butcher block cutting board,** johnboos.com. **Wood planter,** \$24, abchome.com. **Soap pump,** \$10, target.com. **Cabinet handles,** \$11 each, rejuvenation.com.



SMART KITCHEN SORTERS



7. DIVIDE AND CONQUER. Use tension-rod dividers to separate items in drawers.



8. ADD COOL BINS. Store similar items in your freezer with plastic crates.



9. USE UTENSIL CANISTERS. Repurpose towel rods by attaching utensil holders with shower rings for a flexible display in a kitchen.

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Add a layer of shelving.



Maintain neat countertops by installing an extra shelf below your cabinets: It's great for storing regularly used bowls and tools as well as canisters filled with pantry staples. Opt for sleek stainless steel or hang shelves using vintage corbels or fancy brackets.

GET THIS LOOK | **Paint** (on cabinets), Midnight in the Tropics by Behr. **KitchenAid mixer**, \$350, williams-sonoma.com. **Clear glass canisters**, \$8 each, crateandbarrel.com. **Cabinet handles**, \$7 for two, and **steel shelf**, \$76, ikea.com.

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Hang sneaky hidden hooks.



Hide clunky accessories like mixer attachments by hanging them on hooks inside your cabinets. To simplify storage of spices and other ingredients, use labeled canisters and jars—their similar sizes and shapes will make stacking extra easy.

GET THIS LOOK | **Tiles**, 23¢ each, lowes.com. **Glass jars**, \$13 each, crateandbarrel.com. **KitchenAid mixer**, \$350, surlatable.com. **Butcher block cutting board**, johnboos.com. **Spice jars**, \$16 for 12, williams-sonoma.com. **Paint** (on cabinets), Magical Moonlight by Olympic Paints.

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Overhaul your home office.

Create a giant bulletin board near your workstation for a practical statement wall that gives loose bills, calendars and important files a place to land.

HOW-TO

ATTACH cork sheets from a hardware or office-supply store to your wall with nails.

COLOR-CODE IT. If neutral cork isn't your style, use a small roller to paint on blocks of color and designate each as its own to-do "zone."

GET THIS LOOK | Cork, \$60 per roll, schooloutfitters.com. Chair, \$189, wayfair.com. Desk, \$1,739, dwr.com. Table lamp, \$100, lampsplus.com.

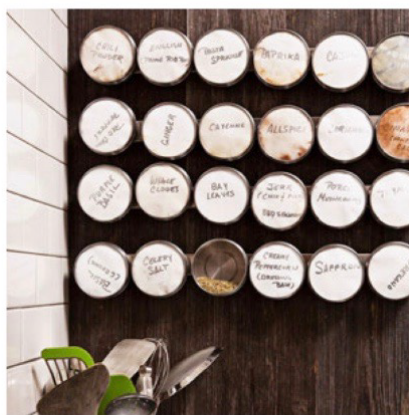


HOME-OFFICE HACKS



14. CREATE A COMMAND CENTER.

Craft a rotating display of important memos and notes by nailing pretty clipboards (available at Staples) to the wall and using them to keep papers in sight, as Jenn Menteer, the blogger behind *My Fabuless Life*, did in her home office.



15. STICK ON MAGNETS.

Steal this spice rack trick to corral paper clips, tacks and more in jars attached to metal strips. Just add adhesive magnets to their bases and stick 'em up.



16. LABEL WITH STYLE.

Use colorful washi tape and a fine-tipped permanent marker to identify cords, making it a cinch to figure out what's plugged in behind the TV or on a power strip.

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Make cute hanging pouches.

House everything from mail to craft tools in these stylish creations by designer Justina Blakeney, blogger for *The Jungalow*.

YOU NEED



Cork mat,
\$5 for three,
worldmarket.com



Scrap leather,
\$15, etsy.com



Upholstery tacks,
\$5, walmart.com



Gorilla Glue,
\$7, homedepot.com



HOW-TO

CUT a piece of scrap leather or other fabric into a circle $\frac{1}{2}$ in. smaller than your cork trivet. Trim off the top of circle, as shown, to create a pocket.

GLUE pocket to cork on all sides but the top. Add upholstery tacks as a decorative accent and to reinforce the perimeter.

ATTACH a thin strip cut from the same material to the back of the trivet with glue. Tie in a knot to hang.





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Go vertical to eke out more room.

Design storage that's completely customizable with a plank of pegboard.

HOW-TO

ATTACH plank to the wall behind a desk, above a countertop or in a garage workspace using drywall nails. Paint it your desired shade.

HANG everything from shelves to baskets, frames and tools. Nearly anything can be attached with the addition of pegboard hooks. Voilà: storage just where and how you need it.

GET THIS LOOK | **Black baskets**, \$10 for three, homedepot.com. **White shelf**, \$15, ikea.com. **Pegboard**, \$58 for two, homedepot.com.



STORE LIKE A CHEF.

Use pegboard to keep pots and pans in order. Attach firmly with extra nails — cookware can be heavy!

Fabric Paper Glue (pegboard); Jeffrey Phillip (pots and pans); Rachael Boling (bathroom); Jeffrey Phillip (utensils, closet); Jessica Haley (drawer).



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Put a bar cart in the bathroom.

Instead of using it for cocktail fixings, roll one into your bathroom. It's the ideal compact size to hold extra towels, lotions and other apothecary needs. A luxe silver version—like the one in this room by interior designer Linda McDougald—lends a glam touch.

GET THIS LOOK | Paint, Beach Glass by Benjamin Moore. **Bathtub** (similar), us.kohler.com. **Bar cart**, \$298, safavieh.com.

FAST FIXES FOR DRAWERS & CLOSETS



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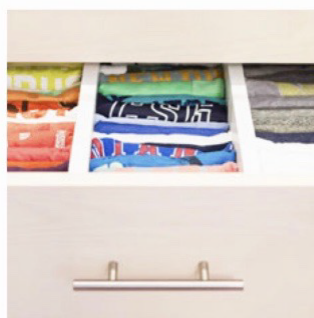
HEADS-UP!

The New York City-based organizing and efficiency expert will be dishing out tips in future issues!



21. LAY DOWN WHITE.

Put a white drawer liner or piece of paper beneath utensil dividers to make your items easier to distinguish.



22. FOLD THE RIGHT WAY.

Prevent a rummage-fest in your drawers by “file-folding” your garments; when they stand up vertically, you can see and riffle through them easily. Bonus: When everything is visible, you won’t forget what you have.



23. CATEGORIZE CLOTHES.

One of the simplest methods for getting your closet into shape is to hang like items together, then sort each category by color. And, if you’re really type A, you can even use your label maker to mark dividers.