

Solutions for the Busiest Rooms in the House

These perfectly sized drawer inserts were customized just for HB! To find out how to create your own, turn the page.

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<<A Place for Everything

Banish disorderly drawers with acrylic inserts customized for your cabinetry by Organize My Drawer. Just measure your items and use the company's intuitive online design tool, then choose a fabric liner—optional, for those who want even their drawers well dressed—and your inserts are delivered in a week. Custom sizes; from \$62 as shown on previous page. organizemydrawer.com



EXTRA "ANY ROOM" SEATING

Toss those old folding chairs and replace them with stylish stacking or folding models that take up less square footage when stowed away.



Finchum Dining Chair. \$209 for two. themine.com



Alain Smoke Side Chair with Cushion. \$500. mgbwhome.com



Terai Folding Chair in Mint. \$198. anthropologie.com

“Even small spaces have dead zones, and finding them is the key to maximizing every nook and cranny. In tight hallways, consider adding a shelf that runs the full perimeter. Place it just above the door-frame to hold books, baskets, or anything not needed on a daily basis.”

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Kim Lewis
Designer and
TV Personality,
Kim Lewis Designs



A Step Above

One secret to living small is building high, so a ladder that can get you there—without taking up more space—is essential. Hasegawa's Slim Step ladder, available with two or three steps, folds down to two inches wide but has generous 10¼-inch-deep steps for a steady climb. \$229. hasegawaladders.com



Wash And Go

Create a laundry space anywhere using Pottery Barn's flexible peg-and-rail system, with a removable drying rack, monogrammable (yes, please!) hamper, and hanging shelf for storage. Stack the rails vertically or side by side to fit any wall. Not laundry day? Now it's a coatrack! Gabrielle Laundry Set. \$359. potterybarn.com

Streamline Your Shower

There's more here than meets the eye! SimpleHuman's Adjustable Shower Caddy Plus has an extendable neck for high shower mounts, sliding shelves for oversize bottles, and spots for razors and loofahs. There's even a way to store bottles upside down (genius!) to get the last drop. \$60. simplehuman.com



“Movable pieces are so versatile. Our Mobile Workstation is one of our most popular models—it's a table with a steel frame and hardwood top that can live indoors or outdoors, making it great for gardening or as an extra work surface in the kitchen or laundry room.”

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Allison Gillespie
Brand Manager,
Gladiator



This pedestal is actually a tiny bonus washer!

Tight Squeeze

At a petite 24 inches wide, LG Signature's Combo TwinWash System (above) is a two-in-one washer/dryer with the features of larger models plus a short cleaning cycle (rare for small units) and advances that reduce noise and vibration—crucial to maintaining your Zen in close quarters. \$3,999. lgsignature.com

“In a small bathroom, every inch of space must be used—function is vital to creating a mini-sanctuary. If you're able to replace your vanity, look for a style that has drawers within drawers to compartmentalize makeup, hair, and skin-care products. Newer versions with inserts for blow-dryers and hot irons help keep counters clear, so you'll have room to accessorize with a pretty soap dish and vanity tray.”

Sarah Blank
Kitchen and Bath Designer, Sarah Blank Design Studio

Need More Floor Space? Do This!

Sliding doors Gain three feet—a big deal in any tiny room—by swapping out traditional hinged doors for slim barn doors from companies like Jeld-Wen. Less than 1½ inches thick, these can easily slide behind furniture, increasing any room's usable footprint. jeld-wen.com

Murphy Beds Tired of losing your sofa (or entire living room) to overnight guests? The Murphy bed, patented in 1911, was designed by William Murphy to turn his bedroom into a socially acceptable parlor for his visiting lady friend. Today's styles have drop-down desks and built-in storage that is accessible when closed, so it works

with or without houseguests. murphybeds.com

Wall Shelves Whether you're creating a pantry, organizing a playroom, or upping storage in a bathroom, open shelves take full advantage of any bare wall. Add stylish brackets to define each space; Signature Hardware is a favorite source. signaturehardware.com



“When you don’t have the luxury of space, you have to be diligent about closet organization—you’ve got to be able to see what you have at a glance! Use pull-out shelves or drawers, and organize clothing so that it sits upright, not stacked—that way, when you open a drawer, you can see everything inside. In a deep closet, where light often gets trapped, use battery-operated LED rods to illuminate hanging items.”

Lisa Adams
LA Closet Designs



Double-Duty Pieces

Tucked away Short on storage? Don’t neglect your doors. Cabidor’s Classic mounted storage cabinet can be hung on any door in minutes,

and at nearly six feet tall and four inches deep, it adds the equivalent capacity of five medicine cabinets. Using it in the boudoir? Get the mirror-fronted Deluxe model. cabidor.com

Clean Up Being good to Mother Earth doesn’t have to mean recycling bins everywhere. Joseph Joseph’s Totem 60 combines waste and recycling in one unit, with compart-

ments to keep items separate. There’s even a spot inside to stash trash bags—one less thing to store! josephjoseph.com

Hide-And-seek Furniture should play multiple roles: A skirted table can



Small Wonder Ilve’s Nostalgie may be two-thirds the width (24 inches) of a normal range, but it’s packed with full-size features, like a triple-ring 15,500-BTU burner and a professional-grade broiler. Star chefs in training can add up to seven accessories, including a wok ring, steamer, griddle, and cast-iron steak pan, all made to fit this unit’s tiny proportions. \$3,599. ilveappliances.com

Counter Intuitive Reclaim countertops by hanging oft-used items—utensils, cutting boards, even your favorite herbs—with Ikea’s Rimforsa bamboo and stainless steel rail system, which complements most kitchen aesthetics. \$2 to \$30 for the rail and accessories. ikea.com



High Style Mix and match West Elm’s Linden modular shelving system to suit your needs, whether it’s finally displaying those coffee-table books, creating an instant work space, or turning a room into a handsome library. \$699 to \$899 per piece. westelm.com

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