

Frequently asked questions and answers!
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Tidy Trends

1. What can I do about the storage in my bedroom? I have a closet with sliding doors and a really large bed – any suggestions?

The first thing I would recommend is to remove the sliding doors on the closet and replace them with a curtain. Sliding doors only let you see half the closet at once and restrict your access to your clothes. The second thing I would recommend for a bedroom with a large bed is to utilize under bed storage containers. If you have a bed that is lower to the ground you can now purchase items called bed risers which will allow you to raise the bed slightly so the containers will fit.

2. My fridge and freezer always seem to have so much in them. It is hard to keep them organized.

The first thing I suggest before you even go shopping is to clean out the fridge before hand. This will free up space and containers so that your new groceries can be put away easily. The second is to have zones in your fridge and freezer so that items always go on those shelves this allows you to put things away easily and also helps you with your shopping as you can see when you have run out of an item.

I recommend rectangular containers as opposed to circular or oval as they stack easier and allow more space. For those hard to place items like ice cream I place them in spots in the freezer on their own and use smaller plastic containers or wire baskets to itemize things like half used bags of vegetables or individual portion sized items.

3. Does everyone have a junk drawer? Is there any way to keep it somewhat tidy?

The best way to keep things organized is to have a home for everything. With that in mind a selection of dividers or small containers in your junk drawer will help you to find things easily and recognize what is not suppose to be in there in the first place.

4. I am afraid to go into my linen closet – everything falls out when I try to get something out of there.

Linen closets are a challenge in any home. The problem being is we seem to collect sheets, pillow cases, towels, face clothes and very seldom to we purge them down. Try getting rid of any sheets or towels that are damaged, ripped, stained etc. Keeping your linens down to only necessities will help you as well for instance you really only need one extra set of sheets for each bed. Try storing large comforters in under the bed storage containers or space saving bags. Baskets and containers work in linen closets as well so put small items like facecloths in baskets for easy access.

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