

Organize Your Laundry Room

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7 Tips for an Efficient Laundry Room

Laundry rooms portrayed in decorating magazines can make you wonder if they're set up for display purposes only. Outfitted with fine cabinetry, a utility sink with a stunning countertop, and of course a large table to fold your freshly laundered garments, these are the rooms that most of us can only dream about. In the real world, most laundry rooms have a washer and dryer and, if you're lucky, a utility sink and one storage cabinet. Sometimes the laundry room is shared with the mud room and busy families find themselves falling over muddy shoes and strewn coats and backpacks!

However, you can still be inspired with the pictures of beautiful laundry rooms, even if you have severe space constraints. Fortunately, manufacturers have made available a wide variety of space saving products to help you with laundry day. Here are a few ideas to consider which will help to tame the laundry room clutter:

1. **Ironing Laundry Center:** This is an amazing piece of equipment that takes up very little space. It includes a fold-out ironing board, hanging bar, double or triple hamper bags and some are even equipped with a small shelf. If you have additional floor space, this can be a great addition to any laundry room.
2. **Triple Bag Laundry Sorter:** If you don't need the hanging bar, a triple sorter is perfect to sort your lights, darks and delicates. Most are on convenient rolling casters and include removable hamper bags.
3. **Folding Laundry Sorter:** No space for a laundry sorter? Consider a laundry sorter that folds flat when not in use. It can be stored flat against a wall, or placed into a cupboard or closet. Just unfold when needed.
4. **Wall Mount Hook:** A wall mounted hook is ideal to hang up your garments straight out of the dryer and folds flat against the wall when not needed. There are slots built in to hold several garments.
5. **Stackable Sweater Dryer –** The sweater dryer can be placed on top of the dryer or table to dry delicates and garments that need to be dried flat. Stack additional dryers to dry multiple garments.
6. **Pop-Up Storage Cube –** The ultimate space saving pop-up storage cube can be used to store folded laundry, and folds flat when not in use.
7. **Shelving or Cabinets –** Don't forget the space above the washer and dryer. Visit your local home improvement store to see the various options available to create additional storage on available wall space.

If you dread laundry day, decorating the room in colors you love can also help. Add additional lighting, paint it a color you love or put up some fun wallpaper or a wallpaper border. Decorate it with a soft rug and pictures, and if you have open shelving, add some decorative objects next to your detergents! You could even bring in a small radio or CD player! If you love the way the room looks, you may even begin to look forward to laundry day!

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