## **Custom Closets**

# **Design the Closet of Your Dreams**



in the house.

f yours is like most homes, closet space is scarce. The "one shelf-one rod" closet simply does not meet many people's growing needs for storage space and organization. Beyond offering limited capacity, most closets are built with an appearance that encourages hiding them behind a closed door. Homebuilders typically do not upgrade closets to match the decor and style of the rest of a home.

With a little time and effort, you can improve the storage space and appearance of your closet, and improve the organization and comfort of your living space. Normally, closets will serve as storage space for the life of your home. It is always good to maximize their efficiency. With a bit of imagination, you can transform your closet by installing an organizing system. The first step is to determine your needs and budget.

### **Basic Upgrades**

At a basic level, you can put together a group of storage pieces and components that can be purchased at a store or through a catalog. These items are usually made of canvas and plastic and can be assembled in a matter of minutes. You can also assemble a wire grid system that improves organization and space utilization.

These types of systems can take the better part of the day to install, depending on their complexity. They can be configured in a number of ways to get you on the way to getting your clothes, shoes and accessories in order.

#### **Custom Closets**

While designing storage to meet individual needs and preferences may seem like a hot new trend, the custom closet industry has been around for over 30 years. If you choose to go this route, you should expect a conveniently scheduled in-home consultation with a professional designer, a

customized closet configuration, and a professional installation.

During the in-home visit, the designer will evaluate your requirements. After a complete inventory of your wardrobe, you will receive a drawing of your customized design and a firm price quote. You should expect to be offered a variety of finishes and options to satisfy your personal preferences for functionality, style, and elegance. With a professional installation, you should expect higher quality materials and workmanship. Even after your system is installed, you can move shelves and wardrobe rods or add additional items. Your system will never go out of style.

#### **Conquer Your Space**

Form follows function. That certainly holds true when you consider the advantages of a custom closet. Custom organizing

systems are an ideal way to get organized, create extra storage space, and add elegance and style to any size closet.

Remember that you lose the most space under the single shelf and pole. A lot of space is wasted between where the clothes stop and the items on the floor start. With a variety of frame widths and heights you can design a system to meet your specific needs. Remember to make your wardrobe manageable and either fix, donate, or discard things you no longer use.

As with any "measurable" improvement you will receive a good return on your investment. It's truly amazing how much more space you can create. You'll feel like you have a whole new house. Removing the clutter from your closets will actually make your entire living space more relaxing and enjoyable. Being organized will help to take the stress out of your life.

