

# The Small Garage – How to Make the Most of It!

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A small garage might seem like a storage nightmare, but with the right strategies and creative thinking, you can transform even the tiniest space into an organized and functional storage area. Whether you're dealing with limited square footage or an abundance of tools and sports equipment, or both, here are some practical tips to help. [The Closet Works Inc.](#) offers customization options, allowing you to have the best small garage possible.

## Declutter and Prioritize

Before embarking on any storage-maximization journey, start by decluttering your garage. Complete a [full clean out](#), and while you're at it, use the chance to remove cobwebs, sweep debris and possibly scrub down areas that have become dirty. Sort items into categories: keep, donate, sell, and discard. Be ruthless and honest about what you truly need and use. Prioritize items that you use frequently and consider off-site storage for items with sentimental value but limited practical use.

## Utilize Vertical Space

Vertical space is your best friend when it comes to having a small garage. Install shelves, wall-mounted cabinets, [a](#)

[slatwall system](#), and hooks to take advantage of those unused higher areas. Store infrequently used items on higher shelves or hooks, and keep regularly used items at eye level for easy access. This is not only a time-saver when it comes to locating what you need, but it's also pleasing to the eye every time you pull in when returning home.



## **Invest in Custom Cabinets and Shelving**

Having custom cabinets and adjustable shelving are a fantastic investment for small garages. They allow you to customize the shelf heights based on the items you're storing. Our [storeWALL system](#) provides flexibility and ensures that you're utilizing every inch of available space. You can take advantage of this option and keep items like pool supplies, garden tools, brooms and outdoor tools like leaf blowers and trimmers, stowed away or shelved for easy use. There are endless and effective ways to store all kinds of items from sporting goods to bikes to whatever your specific needs might be.

## **Label and Categorize to Create Zones**

Proper labeling and categorizing things into "zones" are essential for maintaining an organized small garage. Clearly label storage bins, boxes, and containers so you can quickly locate items. Divide your garage into functional zones to streamline storage. This not only makes it easier to find what you need, but also prevents items from spreading all over the garage and getting lost or damaged. If you have children, this can also help them keep their belongings in a given location, reducing the chaos of clutter and helping them learn how to stay organized.



## Regular Maintenance

Finally, maintaining an organized garage requires consistent effort. It's a good idea to regularly review and reassess your needs, especially as the seasons change. As this happens over time, adjust your approach accordingly.

[Maximizing storage in a small garage](#) might seem like a daunting task, but with the right approach, it's entirely achievable. By decluttering, utilizing vertical space, investing in custom cabinets and shelving, and other actions, you can transform your garage into an organized haven. Remember, the key is to be creative, adaptable, and diligent in maintaining the space. With this in mind, your small garage can become a functional and clutter-free area that meets your family's needs.

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