

## SUPER CHIC STORAGE SOLUTIONS

Interior Designer, Elizabeth Swartz of Elizabeth Swartz Interiors recommends finding new and unique ways to incorporate storage into your organizing efforts. "Instead of buying new plastic bins, invest in some beautifully designed, builtin shelving units for your kitchen, bathroom or closet." Swartz offers. Along with the typical places for shelving units, Swartz has found many creative ways to use extra space. For example, the area under the stairs is no longer void space; it can be home to a dog bed, bookshelf or linen closet. That awkward corner of your kitchen counters can house a wine fridge.

Mudrooms are becoming more and more popular with homeowners. These spaces ensure that all typical items that clutter entrances - such as coats, gloves, shoes, boots, hats, scarves, etc. - are easy to pick up and drop off on the way in or out of the house. Items can be tucked neatly into benches, shelves and bins or hung on hooks. Custom-built shelving units can be







incorporated into nooks and crannies to thoughtfully display items such as books, teapots and pictures - to name a few. They can also be placed in closets to hold shoes, purses and other accessories. Drawers, lighting units, vanities, dressing areas and more are being implemented into closets as well. For example, California Closets provides architecturally-designed organizing and storage solutions without taking away from the home's aesthetic. Whether you need a custom-made closet or some new shelves, California Closets has a variety of storage solutions.

Basements are no longer a storage free-for-all. They have become a welcoming place to house visiting guests, a children's play area or a fun entertaining space. Basement redesigns are now carefully crafted to fit into the home's design theme and aesthetic.

Homeowners looking to add extra storage and décor should consider a Murphy Bed. With clean lines, crisp colors and a modern, sleek design, a Murphy Bed from California Closets is perfect for visitors and provides a unique décor opportunity that doesn't sacrifice space for functionality. The side drawers can even hold extra linens or allow guests to unpack their belongings.



For more ideas on design and storage, visit Elizabeth Swartz Interiors and California Closets online.