

How to Create

a Mix & Match Wardrobe

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A great and frugal way to create a versatile wardrobe is to use pieces that can easily be mixed and matched to create different looks. We have featured an almost weekly mix and match wardrobe on Everyday Savvy for the past year and wanted to give a few tips on how to create your own mini capsule wardrobe that is versatile and will stretch to many looks. These mini capsules are not meant to replace all your clothing but give you a great group of outfits for everyday wear.

Here are the steps to choosing your pieces:



1. **Basic Bottoms:** First, pick four to five basic bottoms, such as pants, leggings, jeans or even dresses and skirts. You can keep these really basic and neutral tones, such as the pieces in [this Fall Loft wardrobe](#), or use bolder patterns and colors such as the teal pants in [this Nordstrom wardrobe](#).



2. **Seasonal & Stylish Tops:** Next, select your tops. Each of the capsule wardrobes on Everyday Savvy have four to five tops. Most of these are season specific, but with layers, you can easily transition your wardrobe from season to season.



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3. **Outerwear:** Depending on the season you are creating a wardrobe for and the part of the world you live in, the next step is to choose outerwear. The [Winter and Fall wardrobes](#) on Everyday Savvy all include one to two jackets, cardigans, hoodies or sweaters. If you live in parts of the world that have mild springs and summers, you can even [add in a light sweater or a vest](#). Layering pieces gives you more chances to create different looks with just a few items.



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4. **Shoes:** The fourth step is to choose your shoes. This is a step that is easy to play with since shoes are an easy item to match to many outfits. When choosing two or more pair of shoes, try to make them look very different from one another to create unique looks when adding them to outfits.
5. **Accessories:** This is the most fun step of the process. Accessories are generally inexpensive and take up little closet space but just adding a scarf to an outfit can make it a completely different look. Mixing and matching accessories is a great way to create different looks.

Once you have chosen all of your pieces, it is just a matter of mixing the tops with the bottoms and adding the accessories, outerwear and shoes to create very different looks. Here are a few tips that will help you in creating your own capsule wardrobe:

- **Start with Neutrals** - Make sure to have a few basic neutral pieces such as black leggings and denim jeans. They lay a great foundation to an outfit and can be paired with a wide variety of tops and accessories to create lots of different looks.
- **Don't Be Afraid to Be Bold** - The style trends these days are an anything goes set of rules where you are really able to make some bold fashion choices. Try pairing a [patterned top with floral pants](#), mixing [brown shoes with black pants](#) or [keeping the entire look very neutral and basic](#). Make bold choices based on your own tastes and you'll be happy with the results.
- **Variety of Tops** - Shirts and blouses are the item that you should put the most thought into. You want to make sure to choose pieces that look different enough from one another to create unique looks yet are still able to be matched with each pair of bottoms, shoes and accessories that you choose.
- **Accessories Are the Key** - Like I mentioned above, accessories are *the* way to make a variety of unique looks using the same basic pieces. You can take the same top and bottoms and add a cardigan and boots to one look and a scarf and flats to the other to create completely different looks.

- **Have Fun** - Creating a mix and match wardrobe of your own has lots of benefits - it is a frugal way to stretch your wardrobe, it is small space friendly and much more. But most importantly, it is a really fun process!

I hope that this tutorial has helped you to start the process of creating your own Mix & Match Mini Capsule Wardrobe! For outfit ideas and inspiration, [check out all of the Everyday Savvy Mix & Match Wardrobes](#).