

Dressing Better Series

WRINKLE-FREE PACKING MADE EASY. NO, REALLY

1. Place all soft bulky items at the bottom, such as jeans, sport clothes, sweaters, and bulky pants.
2. Shoes should be fitted with travel shoe trees and packed in cloth shoe bags. Place them in a secure manner with the soles facing out around the perimeter of the suitcase. Miscellaneous soft items, like socks and handkerchiefs, can be placed in the spaces between shoes to provide extra padding.
3. Dress shirts are the next layer. Those with a cleaner's collar supports and expert folding arrive in far more wearable shape than those folded at home. When doing it yourself, fold the shirt at the waistline and use rolled socks or underwear to support the collar. Alternate the collars at each end of the suitcase.
4. Trouser pleats should be neatly aligned and folded in half at the knees. Place in the suitcase with the waistbands in an alternating fashion with neckties and scarves lying flat in between.
5. Suit and sports jackets are the last articles of clothing to be packed. There are two methods for folding jackets. The size of one's luggage determines what method works best.

METHOD A: Turn the jacket inside out and fold it lengthwise down the back seam. Push the shoulders through to the inside and make sure the sleeves meet and hang down smoothly. If the jacket is too long to fit in your case with one folding, fold it a second time between the waist button and the inside breast pocket.

METHOD B: Place the jacket flat with the front facing up on an even surface, such as a table or bed. Smooth out any wrinkles and straighten the pockets. Flatten the sleeves lengthwise down the front. Fold the jacket just above the waist button with the lower half over the top front.

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