THE WORKWEAR CAPSULE WARDROBE

Spring 2019 Collection



22 Pieces = 100 Outfits



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Note: This handbook is to be used only as a guide for creating a capsule wardrobe. I advise to not go in debt when creating a capsule wardrobe. Instead, if there are items you are missing from the checklist, use what you have and gradually build your wardrobe as you can afford it.

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CHAPTER 1

What is the Workwear Capsule Wardrobe?

Do you have a job where you have to dress up everyday? Does it seem like you wear the same outfits over and over? Do you feel that you look the same everyday? Do you have a job where you have to dress up on average 5 days a week?

A capsule wardrobe will transform your closet, giving you many different outfits, all from the clothes and shoes featured in this eBook!

You may have seen articles about capsule wardrobes on the internet and even seen the seasonal capsule wardrobe eBooks on ClassyYetTrendy.com. These capsule wardrobes contain casual and dressy outfits. Have you seen the blog post, "How To Start a Capsule Wardrobe: A 5-Step Visual Guide" on Classy Yet Trendy? This eBook builds on the capsule wardrobe concept and will begin by showing you how to create a workwear capsule wardrobe for the current season based on a set amount of clothes and shoes, suitable for a business environment. You may be thinking "where did the term capsule wardrobe originate?" A "Capsule Wardrobe" is a term coined by Susie Faux, the owner of a London boutique called "Wardrobe" in the 1970s. According to Faux, a capsule wardrobe is a collection of a few essential items of clothing that don't go out of fashion, such as shirts, pants, and skirts, which can then be worn with seasonal pieces.

A few benefits of having a capsule wardrobe:

1. Discover your style

In using this capsule wardrobe guide, you will discover a style that looks polished and well-matched.

2. Have confidence

When you look great and feel good about the way you look, you have confidence. Confidence helps you feel like you can accomplish anything!

3. Clutter-free closet

When you have a capsule wardrobe, your closet will be neat and organized by keeping the amount of clothes you have at a minimum.

4. Get Dressed in Less Time

Because this guide already has the outfits created for you, you will be able get dressed in half the time it would normally take you to create the outfits from scratch.

4. Less shopping = more money in your pocket

By only replacing essential items when they are worn or don't fit anymore, you buy only what you need; therefore, saving you money! No need to go on shopping sprees anymore or spending hundreds each trip.



CHAPTER 2

How The Capsule Wardrobe Works

The items in your workwear capsule wardrobe should be chosen according to the season, and only worn for that particular season (about 3 months), before transitioning to a new capsule. It should include tops, bottoms, dresses, outerwear (if the season's weather permits) and shoes. This capsule wardrobe consists of the clothes you wear everyday in a business environment. It should not include formal wear or non-workwear clothes. It also should not include accessories. You might say not include accessories? Accessories are not the core of your wardrobe, only clothes and shoes. When you add different accessories, like handbags, scarves and jewelry, it changes the looks of your outfits and finishes them, so you have even more looks! The accessories that are included in all the outfit ideas below are suggested accessories to complete the outfits. You may use your own.

Remember these important points when creating your capsule wardrobe:

Mixable Items

The advantage of having a capsule wardrobe is that all your items are able to mix with one another to create many outfits.

Quality Over Quantity

Instead of buying several of the same item or buying an item just because it's a cheap price, focus on buying one piece that is made well and will last for years. For example, rather than buying a cheap black blazer that's not made well, invest a little more money well-made blazer; it will last you for years.

Versatility

Choose clothes and shoes that will mix and match well with one another. To make your capsule wardrobe work efficiently, a piece of clothing must be worn in at least 3 outfits.

Neutral palette

The key to a functional capsule wardrobe is having the majority of your clothes and shoes a neutral palette. This capsule wardrobe focuses on just a few colors, which all coordinate with one another. You can add a few pieces that are more colorful, but focus more on solid color clothes and have only 1 or 2 items with patterned fabric.

See the color chart below for popular clothing accent colors (OPTIONAL):
If you would like to substitute any of the colors in this capsule for another color, use the following color chart to help you pick a color! You can also add clothes with additional colors to customize this capsule wardrobe. You can use ShopStyle.com to help find alternate items for your capsule.



CHAPTER 3

If you would like to substitute any of the colors in this capsule for another color, use the following color chart to help you pick a color! You can also add clothes with additional colors to customize this capsule wardrobe and make it your own! You can use ShopStyle.com to help find alternate or additional items for your capsule.

COLOR COORDINATING CHART



CHAPTER 4

Create Your Capsule Wardrobe

STEP 1: Clean Out Your Closet

This is the hardest part...cleaning out your closet! But, you're on your way to an efficient wardrobe! Take everything out of your closet so that your closet is empty. If you have any of the items on the wardrobe checklist, go ahead and hang them in your closet. If there are a few items that you absolute love and can mix well with the capsule wardrobe, then add those to your closet! If they don't match, looks worn or doesn't fit right anymore, you can either sell them or donate to charity.

Start with an empty closet like this:



STEP 2: Shop For Missing Items

Here's where you can go shopping for the rest of the items you don't have on the list. If you like shopping online, you can click on each item in this e-Book and be taken directly to the retailers' pages to purchase the items. Or, you can print out the list and take it with you shopping.

Here's a tip: if you are on a budget, check out your local thrift stores. I have found several of my essential name brand items for less than $5 each at a few local thrift stores. I made sure the items still looked fresh and that they were well-made.

STEP 3: Organize Your Closet By Clothes Type

When planning your outfits, you can create them quickly by hanging all your outerwear together, then tops, shirts, pants, skirts and dresses.

A neat and tidy closet using the capsule wardrobe system!



STEP 4: Create Your Outfits!

You can use the handy outfit guide to choose which outfits to wear each day. You can print those pages and place them by your closet for easy access!

NOTE: At the End of a Season

At the end of a season, you should get your capsule wardrobe ready for the next season. Take everything out of your closet and put back the pieces you will wear in the new season. Store away the old season's pieces in a storage container. If you have any pieces stored for the new season, put them in your closet. Here's where you look over your clothes and shoes to be worn in the new season. If any pieces look worn, faded or have lost their shape, toss them and buy replacements. Here's where you save money on clothes and shoes: if you toss out a piece, only buy a replacement. Resist the urge to go shopping and buy something because it looks pretty or is a popular trend. Remember, buy it if it mixes and matches well with other pieces in your workwear capsule wardrobe.

Clothes Substitution Tips

This palette uses **shale (blue), hibiscus (red) and emerald (green)** as accent colors. If there is another color you would like to substitute, you can substitute any of the items in this capsule with another one that you prefer. For example, if you want to substitute the items that are **emerald** with another color, omit the **emerald** clothes, then go to ShopStyle.com and search for your replacements or use ones you may already have in your closet.

See the color chart in Chapter 3 to choose another accent color or you can use your own color of choice.

CHAPTER 5

The 22 Items of the Capsule Wardrobe

You can buy the following pieces by using the convenient shopping links below each item. Or, **if you already have any of these similar items in your closet**, I encourage you to use those in your capsule wardrobe. Some of the products in the links provided vary from the items pictured. Not all shopping links are exactly like the items pictured due to providing different price points from "budget-friendly" to "splurge" from different retailers.

As with all capsule wardrobes, this wardrobe plan includes several Core Closet Essentials. These are the building blocks of a capsule wardrobe that you will use mostly every season!

1. White Slim-Fitting Tee (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: Target // Talbots
Plus: Talbots // Target
Petite: Ann Taylor // Gap

2. Gray Slim-Fitting Tee (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: J Crew Factory // J Crew
Plus: J Crew // Target
Petite: Ann Taylor // Banana Republic

3. White/Ivory Blouse (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: H&M // Banana Republic
Plus: Dillard's // Nordstrom
Petite: Asos // Banana Republic

4. Blue Button-Up Shirt (Striped or Solid) (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: J Crew // H&M
Plus: LL Bean // J Crew
Petite: J Crew // Gap

5. Navy Patterned Top



Regular: Banana Republic // Kohls
Plus: Kohls // Talbots
Petite: Banana Republic // Talbots

6. Green Top



Regular: J Crew // Ann Taylor
Plus: Asos // QVC
Petite: J Crew // Ann Taylor

7. Beige or Ivory Blazer (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: H&M // Marks and Spencer
Plus: Boohoo // Talbots
Petite: Talbots // Nordstrom Rack

8. Beige Cardigan (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: H&M // Gap
Plus: Nordstrom // Target
Petite: Gap // Nordstrom

9. Navy Cardigan (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: J Crew Factory // Talbots
Plus: J Crew Factory // Kohls
Petite: Talbots // Loft

10. Navy Blazer (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: Ann Taylor // H&M
Plus: Talbots // Target
Petite: Ann Taylor // Old Navy

11. Trench Coat (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: Banana Republic // Uniqlo
Plus: Nordstrom // Nordstrom
Petite: Banana Republic // Lands End

12. Navy Pants (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: Loft // Old Navy
Plus: Loft // Old Navy
Petite: Loft // Old Navy

13. Beige Pants (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: Banana Republic // Kohl's
Plus: Dillard's // Old Navy
Petite: Banana Republic // Macy's

14. White Wide Leg Pants (or slim pants)



Regular: Nordstrom // Everlane
Plus: QVC // Macy's
Petite: Old Navy // Everlane

15. Navy Skirt (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: H&M // Modcloth
Plus: Loft // Modcloth
Petite: Macy's // Loft

16. Gray Skirt (Core Closet Essential)



Regular: Ann Taylor // J Crew
Plus: J Crew Factory // Old Navy
Petite: Old Navy // J Crew

17. Navy Patterned Skirt



Regular: Boden // Loft
Plus: Talbots // Asos
Petite: Boden // Loft

18. Navy Patterned Dress



Regular: Nordstrom // Gap
Plus: Modcloth // Old Navy
Petite: Zappos // Gap

19. Beige Pumps (Core Closet Essential)



Nordstrom // Shopbop // DSW

20. Navy Block Heel Pumps (Core Closet Essential)



Nordstrom // DSW // DSW

21. Red Flats



Nordstrom // Kohls // Topshop

22. White Mules



Ann Taylor // Nordstrom // Target

Accessories featured in the outfits:

Tote Bag



Nordstrom // Century 21 // Macy's

Beige Shoulder Bag



Nordstrom // DSW // H&M

Scarf



Nordstrom // Nordstrom // QVC

Short Necklace



Ann Taylor // Nordstrom // Nordstrom

Pendant Necklace



Ann Taylor // Ann Taylor // Loft

CHAPTER 6

Workwear Capsule Wardrobe Checklist Spring 2019

TOPS:

- white slim-fitting tee
- gray slim-fitting tee
- white/ivory blouse
- blue button-up shirt (striped or solid)
- navy patterned top
- green top

BOTTOMS:

- navy pants
- beige pants
- white pants (wide leg or slim leg)
- navy solid skirt
- gray solid skirt
- navy patterned skirt

DRESSES:

- navy patterned dress

LAYERS:

- beige or ivory blazer
- beige cardigan
- navy cardigan
- navy blazer
- trench coat

SHOES:

- beige pumps
- navy block heel pumps
- red flats
- white mules

CHAPTER 7

Workwear Capsule Wardrobe At A Glance



CHAPTER 8: 100 Outfits

OUTFIT #1



clothes: navy patterned top / khaki pants / beige blazer
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / tote / navy pumps

OUTFIT #2



clothes: navy patterned top / khaki pants / beige cardigan
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / shoulder bag / red flats

OUTFIT #3



clothes: navy patterned top / khaki pants / navy cardigan
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / beige pumps

OUTFIT #4



clothes: navy patterned top / khaki pants / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / navy pumps

OUTFIT #5



clothes: navy patterned top / khaki pants / trench coat
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / tote / mules

OUTFIT #6



clothes: navy patterned top / gray skirt / beige blazer
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / shoulder bag / navy pumps

OUTFIT #7



clothes: navy patterned top / gray skirt / navy cardigan
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / mules

OUTFIT #8



clothes: navy patterned top / gray skirt / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / beige pumps

OUTFIT #9



clothes: navy patterned top / navy skirt / beige cardigan
shoes & accessories: scarf / tote / red flats

OUTFIT #10



clothes: navy patterned top / navy skirt / trench coat
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / shoulder bag / beige pumps

OUTFIT #11



clothes: navy patterned top / navy pants / beige blazer
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / shoulder bag / red flats

OUTFIT #12



clothes: navy patterned top / navy pants / beige cardigan
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / beige pumps

OUTFIT #13



clothes: navy patterned top / white pants / trench coat
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / mules

OUTFIT #14



clothes: navy patterned top / white pants / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / shoulder bag / beige pumps

OUTFIT #15



clothes: blue shirt / beige pants / navy cardigan
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / beige pumps

OUTFIT #16



clothes: blue shirt / beige pants / beige cardigan
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / mules

OUTFIT #17



clothes: blue shirt / gray skirt / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / navy pumps

OUTFIT #18



clothes: blue shirt / gray skirt / trench coat
shoes & accessories: scarf / shoulder bag / beige pumps

OUTFIT #19



clothes: blue shirt / navy skirt / beige blazer
shoes & accessories: scarf / tote / beige pumps

OUTFIT #20



clothes: blue shirt / patterned skirt / trench coat
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / red flats

OUTFIT #21



clothes: blue shirt / patterned skirt / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / beige pumps

OUTFIT #22



clothes: blue shirt / navy pants / beige blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / mules

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clothes: blue shirt / navy pants / beige cardigan
shoes & accessories: scarf / tote / red flats

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clothes: blue shirt / white pants / trench coat
shoes & accessories: scarf / tote / red flats

OUTFIT #25



clothes: blue shirt / white pants / navy cardigan
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / mules

OUTFIT #26



clothes: blue shirt / white pants / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / beige pumps

OUTFIT #27



clothes: blue shirt / white pants / beige blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / red flats

OUTFIT #28



clothes: gray tee / gray skirt / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: scarf / tote / red flats

OUTFIT #29



clothes: gray tee / gray skirt / navy cardigan
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / tote / beige pumps

OUTFIT #30



clothes: gray tee / navy skirt / beige blazer
shoes & accessories: scarf / tote / navy pumps

OUTFIT #31



clothes: gray tee / navy skirt / beige cardigan
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / shoulder bag / red flats

OUTFIT #32



clothes: gray tee / patterned skirt / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / tote / beige pumps

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clothes: gray tee / patterned skirt / navy cardigan
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / mules

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shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / tote / red flats

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clothes: gray tee / white pants / navy cardigan
shoes & accessories: scarf / tote / red flats

OUTFIT #39



clothes: gray tee / white pants / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: scarf / shoulder bag / navy pumps

OUTFIT #40



clothes: gray tee / white pants / trench coat
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / shoulder bag / beige pumps

OUTFIT #41



clothes: green blouse / beige pants / beige blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / beige pumps

OUTFIT #42



clothes: green blouse / beige pants / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / navy pumps

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OUTFIT #95



clothes: white tee / navy pants / trench coat
shoes & accessories: scarf / shoulder bag / mules

OUTFIT #96



clothes: dress / beige blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / navy pumps

OUTFIT #97



clothes: dress / beige cardigan
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / tote / red flats

OUTFIT #98



clothes: dress / navy cardigan
shoes & accessories: pendant necklace / shoulder bag / beige pumps

OUTFIT #99



clothes: dress / navy blazer
shoes & accessories: short necklace / shoulder bag / navy pumps

OUTFIT #100



clothes: dress / trench coat
shoes & accessories: short necklace / tote / navy pumps

CHAPTER 9: Travel Packing Guide



CHAPTER 10

8 Ways To Save At Least 50% Off Retail

1. Sale Alerts

If you're not on retailers' email lists, you need to be! Retailers like to have sales, because it brings customers to the stores or online to their site, and it's a way to move their merchandise. By receiving emails, it's easier to see sales alerts in one place rather than have to visit several retailer sites to find out if they are having sales.

Getting these types of emails are also how I find out about "Flash" sales. "Flash" sales, which typically last only one day, let you save more money.

To receive sales alerts via email, go online to the retailer's main page and look either at the very top of the page or very bottom of the page and you'll see a link, "Email signup", "Register", or "Sign up for emails". Enter your email address and you'll soon start saving money!

2. Buy At The End Of The Season

I like to buy wardrobe essentials at the end of the season. They are items that you need in your capsule wardrobe. If you've been wanting a cashmere sweater, but it's not in your budget right now, wait until the end of the Fall or Winter season when they go on sale! You can save as much as 70% off at an end of season salem, sometimes with an additional percentage off.

3. Holiday Sales

Retailers most always have holiday sales. When we think of holiday sales, we typically think of Black Friday and Christmas sales. But, retailers have sales for just about every holiday and even Halloween!

4. Coupon Codes

Coupon codes are found online at non-retailer sites. These are codes that you enter when you pay for your order online, in the "promo code" box. They have codes for free shipping, flat rate shipping and other types of coupon codes. Some well-known coupon code sites are RetailMeNot.com and Coupons.com.

5. Promo Codes

These codes will save you money in addition to retailers' regular or clearance sales! These codes will be in the emails that retailers will send to you. That's why it's important to get on their email lists! An example of a promo code is: Save an additional 25% with promo code "SAVE". You would enter the word "SAVE" in the promo code box when you get ready to pay for your order online. Typically, these are only used online when you place your order, but sometimes can be used if you print out the email and take it to the store.

6. Use Shopstyle

This is an online site I use when creating posts for my blog, but it's really helpful for a non-blogger too! Shopstyle.com lets you search for items based on the type, color, size, retailer and if it's on sale. You can sort by price, high or low, and on popular items too.

You can signup for their Sale Alerts and they will let you know, via email, when an item you've marked goes on sale. Just go to shopstyle.com and start searching!

7. Buy Online

I prefer to buy online than go to a store. You can save lots of money this way! I'll go to the store to see the items in person and try pieces on, but will then go and buy them online if I know I can save more money. Worried that you may order the wrong size? Retailers have size charts online where you can find out what size to order based on your body measurements, so you will be able to order the correct size. I'll give you an example of how much money I saved by buying online: I had been wanting a crew neck sweater.

I saw one in the J. Crew Factory store. The retail price was $74.50. I bought it online because they had a special sale online, used a promo code in my email, plus used my J. Crew credit card. The sweater's final price was $29.63, over 60% off!

8. Use Retailer Credit Card

If you shop at retail store or online regularly like Old Navy or J. Crew Factory, I would advise getting a credit card from the retailer. When they have sales, they will offer more money off or more of a percentage off your order. Fore example, Old Navy sometimes has sales where everyone gets 25% off, but cardholders saved 30% instead. It's important to pay the card balance off at the end of the month or they will add interest to your balance.

The Outfits Calendar

Take the guesswork out of choosing which outfit to wear each day! You can use the Capsule Wardrobe Outfits Calendar on ClassyYetTrendy.com to know what to wear everyday. The calendar is updated every month.

It's simple! Just wear the outfit number in this eBook according to the outfit number on the calendar each day.

The Capsule Wardrobe Collective Facebook Group

If you're on Facebook, come join the group, Capsule Wardrobe Collective! It's completely free! In the group, you can post photos of your outfits from this eBook, get capsule wardrobe tips, share your ideas and participate in capsule wardrobe discussions with other members. Please read the Group Rules when you join!

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