

COASTAL HOME

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Come Clean

Here's how to outfit your laundry room so you can make this chore by the shore a real cinch

FRESH TAKE

These sandstone countertops above a built-in washer and dryer offer a convenient place to fold clean clothes and linens.

Architect Braulio Casas. Appliances, ASKO. Towels, Pioneer Linens. For more information, see Sources, page 104.



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5 ways to breeze through the wash

1. Pressing matter

If your ironing mantra is “wrinkles are the new ruffles,” we’ve found ironing gear that will change your mind. Our picks make the often dreaded job so fast you may start pressing even your beach sarongs. Try an iron with a slick soleplate (the part that heats up) for an easy glide over all your clothes, and a board that works double duty—this one has an iron rest on the side and a fold-out rack beneath for just-pressed linens.



DeLonghi Professional Ironing System, \$150; shopdelonghi.com

Williams-Sonoma Brabantia Deluxe Ironing Board, \$180; williams-sonoma.com

Chevron Stripe Standard Ironing Board Cover, \$24; etsy.com/shop/compelledtocraft



3. A step ahead

When it comes to accessing the farthest reaches of a laundry room, you don’t need to be a member of the WNBA: This folding stepladder is thin and lightweight, so it fits into almost any closet or crevice (and is easy to whisk off to wherever you need).

MoMA Design Store Karl Malmvall “Step” Ladder in Red, \$295; momastore.org



2. Rack up

We’ve always been fans of garment racks for their ability to instantly pick up the slack from a too-small closet. (And by that we mean *all* closets.) Keep one in your laundry room for a convenient place to hang freshly ironed shirts and air-dry bulky or long items, like winter coats and dresses. Wheels on this one make the trip back to your bedroom closet an easy one, while locking brakes make sure it stays put mid-laundry.



Bed Bath & Beyond Commercial Grade Garment Rack, \$90; bedbathandbeyond.com

4. Hang around

Sometimes, it pays to do things the old-fashioned way. Air-drying delicate garments like blouses or sweaters will improve their look and longevity. But no need to employ the backs of chairs—this wall-mounted drying rack has accordion-style rungs, which extend when needed and tuck neatly away when not.



Ballard Designs Corday Accordion Drying Rack, \$269 (large); ballarddesigns.com

5. Happy hamper

GET ROLLING

Swiveling casters are great for wheeling large loads. **Pottery Barn French Wire Hamper and Liner**, \$149; potterybarn.com



BASKET CASE

Beachy hues make this hamper fit for display. **Fab Habitat Cancun Baskets in Turquoise and Moss Green**, \$148 for a set of three; fabhabitat.com



SMOOTH SEPARATION

Save time by dividing your laundry loads from the start. **The Container Store 3-Section Iron Folding Hamper**, \$99; containerstore.com

