Chaotic Times

Organised Chaos Newsletter

"Helping you to clear clutter and feel -

Better!"

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Dear Friends of Organised Chaos

Welcome to the June edition of Chaotic Times!

This month I'm back on one of my favourite subjects - storage. Or rather, what I would term *appropriate* storage. By this I mean, making the most of your available space and choosing storage media that is suited to what you are storing.

The old adage, 'a place for everything and everything in its place' still holds true as far as I'm concerned. This is key to being able to find what you want, when you want it. Many of my clients have never given storage a second thought, and this is why some of them have ended up surrounded by piles of belongings that have no 'home'.

So, if this sounds like you I would urge you to rethink your living/working space with a view to storing things neatly and efficiently.

Shopping for storage solutions can be a nightmare, even if you know what you want. So often shops are limited in the range of colours and styles available. Finding something to fit in a specific space is even more challenging!

Recommendations for purchase of storage media

Don't base your decision purely on looks - consider practicalities as well.

Don't base your decision purely on price!

Measure available space carefully.

Measure item(s) to be stored.

Be prepared to visit several shops to compare what's on offer.

Don't even think about storage until you've done your decluttering and know exactly what you have left that needs to be stored.

REMEMBER! If you get it wrong, your new piece of furniture could end up as a very large piece of clutter - this is NEVER good news!



I would like to introduce a good friend of mine, Rhiannon Hankins.

Rhiannon and her partner Ciaran make beautiful bespoke furniture. Their business is called **Sylph Furniture**.





I'll let Rhiannon tell you about it:

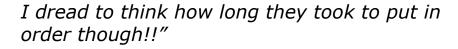
"Ciaran and I met at University in High Wycombe where we both studied Furniture Design and Craftsmanship. By the end of the first term we had already decided on 'the dream'. To set up our own cottage industry workshop in rural Northamptonshire - to be our own bosses.

I have to admit it's all been a lot more hard work than we thought it would be, but not without its rewards. It's great to see what you've created at the end of each day, and the reaction from clients is all the satisfaction we need.

Are you fed up tidying up and sorting out, but always feeling like it's never quite as neat as you'd like it to be?

I mean, who actually has a shelf just the right size for your box files? Or drawers that neatly fit your CDs and DVDs, in a way where you can read all the labels?

We recently made this CD cabinet – it holds over 1000 CDs in drawers that run on full extension drawer runners so you can read each label easily.





You might not have considered a bespoke option before, but I can certainly vouch for the quality of craftsmanship and attention to detail which ensures that all <u>Sylph's customers</u> get the piece of furniture that is just right for them. Rhiannon and Ciaran are passionate about what they do, and in this mass produced age it's reassuring to know that it is still possible to find something which hasn't come off a production line in China!

<u>Sylph Furniture</u> also offer some budget alternatives to their bespoke design and build service.

How about these stylish stacking boxes which are available in three sizes? Mix and match as you wish! Still the same Sylph Furniture quality, and made to last.



As Rhiannon so beautifully puts it:

"There's no excuse not to get organised!!"

Of course, if you would like <u>advice on storage for your home or office</u>, I'm happy to help. Why run the risk of making an expensive mistake? Any kind of furniture is an investment, so it makes sense to buy thoughtfully.

Well, I hope that's opened your eyes to the joy of bespoke furniture, as well as giving you some ideas on how to choose storage media wisely.

Best regards, Judith

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