

closet1. ['klɒzɪt] *n*

1. *амер.* чулан
2. стеной шкаф
3. таинственность; неизвестность; уединение; оторванность от жизни
4. *арх.* кабинет
bed closet - маленькая спальня
5. *уст.* личные апартаменты монарха
6. *арх.* уборная

2. ['klɒzɪt] *a*

1. скрытый, тайный, конфиденциальный
closet vows - тайный обет, тайные клятвы
closet fascist - замаскировавшийся фашист
2. кабинетный
closet politician - кабинетный политик, политик-теоретик
closet thinker - мыслитель, оторванный от жизни

3. ['klɒzɪt] *v*

- запирать
to be closeted - запира́ться, уединя́ться
to be closeted with smb., to be closeted together - *образн.* совеща́ться с кем-л. наедине

closet

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

closet [closet closets closeted closeting] **noun, adjective, verb** BrE ['klɒzɪt] ^{us}NAme ['klaʊzə] ^{us}**noun** (especially NAmE)

a small room or a space in a wall with a door that reaches the floor, used for storing things

- a walk-in closet

**compare** ↑cupboard, ↑wardrobe**see also** ↑water closet**see also** ↑come out ⁽¹⁰⁾, **see** a skeleton in the cupboard/closet **at** ↑skeletonWord Origin:late Middle English (denoting a private or small room): from Old French, diminutive of **clos** 'closed', from Latin **claudere** 'to shut'.Thesaurus:**closet** **noun** C (especially AmE)

- a walk-in closet for her clothes

cupboard • • **wardrobe** • • **pantry** • • **cabinet** • • **unit** •**walk-in** closet/cupboard/wardrobe/pantry**built-in** closet/cupboard/wardrobe**wall/storage/kitchen** closet/cupboard/cabinet/unitExample Bank:

- He searched his closet for something to wear.
- He went to the closet and pulled out a suit.
- Her closet was filled with black clothes.
- I picked a shirt from the closet.
- I raided Bob's closet for something to wear.
- More public figures are finding the courage to come out of the closet.
- They were hoping to find some skeletons in his closet.
- clothes hanging in the closet
- It's about time I cleared out this closet.
- She has a walk-in closet for all her clothes.

Idiom: ↑come out of the closet**adjective only before noun** used to describe people who want to keep some fact about themselves secret

- closet gays
- I suspect he's a closet fascist.

Word Origin:

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verb ~ **sb/yourself + adv./prep.**

to put sb in a room away from other people, especially so that they can talk privately with sb, or so that they can be alone

- He was closeted with the President for much of the day.
- She had closeted herself away in her room.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	closet
	BrE / 'kloʒt/
	NAmE / 'klo:zət/
he / she / it	closets
	BrE / 'kloʒts/
	NAmE / 'klo:zəts/
past simple, past participle	closeted
	BrE / 'kloʒtɪd/
	NAmE / 'klo:zətɪd/
-ing form	closeting
	BrE / 'kloʒtɪŋ/
	NAmE / 'klo:zətɪŋ/

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I. **closet**¹ **S3** /'kloʒət, 'kloʒɪt \$ 'kloʒ-, 'kloʒ-/ **BrE** " **AmE** " **noun** [countable]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: clos 'enclosed place', from Latin clausum, from clausus; ⇒ ↑close²]

1. **especially American English** a cupboard built into the wall of a room from the floor to the ceiling ⇒ **wardrobe**:
" a closet full of beautiful clothes

2. **come out of the closet**

a) to tell people that you are ↑homosexual after hiding the fact **SYN come out**

b) to admit something or to start to discuss something that was kept secret before

3. **be in the closet** **American English informal** to not tell people that you are ↑homosexual

⇒ ↑water closet, ⇒ **a skeleton in the closet** at ↑skeleton(5)

II. **closet**² **BrE** " **AmE** " **adjective**

closet homosexual /alcoholic etc someone who is a ↑homosexual etc but who does not want to admit it:

" a closet communist

III. **closet**³ **BrE** " **AmE** " **verb** [transitive usually passive]

to shut someone in a room away from other people in order to discuss something private, to be alone etc

be closeted with somebody

" All morning he'd been closeted with various officials.

" Don't let her closet herself away in her room.

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