

# Living Room Spring Cleaning Routine

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## YOU WILL NEED

- Long-handled duster.
- Cleaning cloths.
- Glass cleaner.
- Furniture polish.
- 3 bags/boxes marked Return, Donate, and Trash.
- A vacuum with attachments.

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## LET THE LIGHT IN

- Remove curtains or drapes.
- Take them to laundry room if washable OR
- Put them in car to take to dry-cleaners.

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## START WITH SMALL CHUNKS

- Put items that belong in other rooms in "Elsewhere" box and set aside.
- Gather things you no longer want to keep then put in "Donate" box and set aside.
- Pick up all trash from surfaces and put in the "Trash" box.
- Pick up all trash from beneath furniture and put in the "Trash" box.
- Gather old magazines and news papers and put in "Trash" box or take to recycling.

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## DUST THE STRUCTURE

- Dust the ceiling fan.
- Remove artwork from the walls.
- Dust ceiling, corners and window casing.
- Dust walls, window sills and baseboards.
- Dust the artwork.
- Return artwork to walls.



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## MOVE ON TO SOFT FURNITURE

- Remove pillows and cushions from sofa.
- Beat the pillows outside and let air.
- Pull furniture from wall, dust behind it.
- Vacuum sofa and chairs on all surfaces.
- Return cushions to sofa and chairs.

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## DUST THE CONTENTS

- Start at door and work to left.
- Remove every item from horizontal surfaces.
- Dust front, back and sides of tables.
- Dust knickknacks before returning them to place.
- Remove lampshades and dust lamps.
- Dust light bulbs (wipe cool bulbs with glass cleaner).

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## MAKE IT SHINE

- Polish wood furniture and fix scratches.
- Spray and clean inside of windows.
- Clean other glass surfaces.

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## GET VACUUMING

- Use dust attachment to clean hearth.
- Vacuum lampshades.
- Use crevice attachment around base of walls.
- Move small furniture and vacuum beneath.
- Vacuum fronts and backs of throw rugs.
- Vacuum the rest of the floor.

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## FINISH UP

- Return clean curtains to the windows.
- Straighten remaining books, magazines, etc.
- Spray the room with air-freshener if desired.
- Neatly fold and arrange throw blankets.
- Take "Donation" items to the car for drop-off.
- Return items in the "Elsewhere" box to where they belong.
- Throw away the trash.