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The Crap Collecting Crisis: Why Do Men Think Their Stuff is So Valuable? by [PancyRoaf](#)

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The Crap Collecting Crisis: Why Do Men Think Their Stuff Is So Valuable? My favourite collectors of all are men. They seem to think that their collections are an investment. Some how some way, they have convinced themselves that over the next 40 years, their movie collection will be worth a fortune.

Tell that to the last generation of video and DVD collectors as we face the era of Blu Ray, High Def, 3D, and movie downloads. We might as well cover CD's, video games, and other man-clutter on display like the modern version of an elk's head mounted above the fireplace. History tells us that technology is evolving at a rapid pace so we shouldn't get caught up in the excitement of collecting the latest tech trends and even worse --- exposing these hideous items for the rest of us to look at. Let's get it all out in the open people. Collecting is out of control in this part of the world.

It is a source of clutter and often a waste of money, preventing us from discovering other ways to make ourselves happy. We have turned a sentimental object into a burning desire to own more of the same not-so-sentimental objects. Go back to what brought you joy about those things in the first place and pick your top 2 or 3. You will be able see and cherish those items more clearly when they are not lost in a sea of their likeness.

So, before you hit that next garage sale and pick up your 17th vinyl ottoman (true story), think about the hardwood floors you dream of or the new bed sheets you yearn for. Analyze, prioritize, and identify what would bring you meaningful enjoyment and possibly increase the value of your home. Deidre Gilbert President, rearrange Inc. Author, Confessions of an Interior Designer
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