Things You'll Need

- Measuring tape
- Saw
- Stud finder
- Set of rod sockets
- Power drill
- Toggle bolts
- 2" wood screws

Instructions

- 1. Measure your closet's depth and divide the measurement in half. This is how deep inside your closet you should install the rod. The height of the rod's placement depends on your needs; you can install a rod at any height, although it will be more useful if it is at least 42 inches from the ground. Mark the location of the height and depth of your intended pole location on both of your closet's inner walls.
- 2. Measure the distance between your closet's inner side walls. Cut your pole to this length with a saw.
- Hold your stud finder against the wall and let the device calibrate for the wall's thickness. Slide the stud finder across the wall to search for a support stud near one of the marks you made. Locate a stud as close as possible to your mark. If there isn't a stud beneath your mark, you'll need to install toggle bolts to <u>help</u> support your pole.
- 4. Place a rod socket over one of the marks you made on a a stud, so the socket's screw hole matches the mark. Attach the rod socket to the wall stud by driving a 2-inch wood screw through the hole and into the stud. Skip to Step 5 if there is no stud and you need to intall toggle bolts.
- 5. Install toggle bolts by drilling a 1/4-inch hole at one of your marks. Place a rod socket directly over the hole so the socket's screw hole matches the hole you just drilled. Insert the end of a toggle bolt through both holes. Tap the toggle bolt with a soft mallet. When the bolt reaches the other side successfully, its end will spring apart, creating an anchor. Tighten the bolt with your drill.
- 6. Insert your rod into the socket. Place the other end of the rod up against the mark on the other wall. Place your level on top of the rod to make sure it's totally level. Move the other mark if necessary.
- 7. Install the other closet rod socket, using a wood screw if there's a stud, or a toggle bolt if no stud is available. One socket has an open section, which must be installed facing upward to properly hold the pole.
- 8. Place the rod into the socket that doesn't have an opening. Bring the other side of the rod down on top of the other socket with the opening. The pole's end should slide inside the open side of the socket.