

Most men don't leave the house without their wallets, which are often stuffed with IDs, cards, cash, and other personal items. Aside from their practicality, wallets come in countless styles and materials.

To help you narrow down the options, we put in the research – and reached out to several experts in the fashion industry – to compile a list of the top men's wallets. The Leatherology Thin Bifold Wallet is our top pick because it comes in multiple colors and styles and its thin profile won't add bulk to your pocket.

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### **Best Overall**

# Leatherology Thin Bifold Wallet »



PROS: CONS:

and colors available

- ✓ Slim profile
- ✓ Personalization available

Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) protection costs extra

**Buy From Amazon** 

The Leatherology Thin Bifold Wallet expertly threads the needle between offering sufficient space to hold cash and cards and not being overly bulky. There are six card slots along with two interior pockets where you can keep items like credit cards, business cards, and receipts safe and accessible. There's also a bill compartment – something smaller models don't have – so this wallet is a good choice if you like to carry some cash around with you. Despite its capacity, the wallet remains slim and compact with a depth of just 1/2 inch.

There are three different versions of this wallet: Signature, Premium, and RFID Block. The Signature and RFID Blocking models are constructed from beautiful full-grain leather available in different color choices. Two of the color options from the Premium line are made from high-quality, vegetable-tanned, full-grain Italian leather while the other two are made from vegetable-tanned, full-grain German leather. The RFID model, which costs \$10 more than the Signature options, offers a lining constructed of dense metallic fibers designed to block scanners from stealing your personal information.

### **Specs**

List Price: Starting at \$70 (Signature)

Material: Full-grain leather (Signature and RFID Blocking);

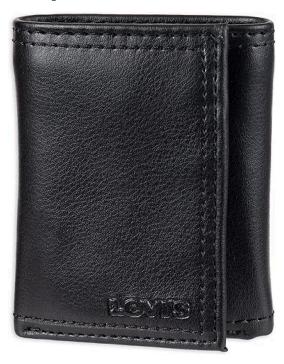
vegetable-tanned full-grain Italian leather (Premium Ebony and Espresso); vegetable-tanned full-grain

German leather (Premium Black Oil and Mahogany)

**Dimensions:** 3.4 in. H x 4.15 in. W x 0.5 in. D

### **Best Budget**

## Levi's Men's Compact Trifold Wallet »



#### PROS:

- Inexpensive
- ✓ Trifold design for increased capacity
- Zippered compartment

#### CONS:

- X Not made from 100% genuine leather
- X Thicker when folded

**Buy From Amazon** 

You don't have to spend a fortune on a new wallet. The Levi's Men's Compact Trifold Wallet starts at less than \$20, which is considerably less than the other products on this list. As a trifold wallet, this model offers a decent capacity to help you carry everything you need. It has a central ID window along with three card slots in each of the two outer folds. There's also a full-

width bill compartment, two slip pockets, and a hidden zippered pocket for items you want to keep out of sight.

One downside of the trifold design, however, is the overall width of the wallet. Without any cards or cash in it, it's 0.8 inches deep, which is more than 1/4 inch thicker than many of the other slim models we reviewed.

This trifold men's wallet from Levis has a leather appearance, though it's not made from 100% genuine leather. Instead, it's 70% polyurethane (PU) leather – a faux leather – while the other 30% is split leather, which has a lower grade than full- or top-grain leather. Though it's not made from the highest quality materials, it offers a sophisticated appearance for an appealing price.

## **Specs**

**List Price:** Starting at \$18 (Andrew Black)

Material: PU leather and split leather

**Dimensions:** 4 in. H x 2.8 in. W x 0.8 in. D

Buy From Amazon »

**Best Slim** 

## **RRL Roughout Suede Card Holder** »



- Slim design
- Quality suede material
- High-quality stitching

#### CONS:

- X No billfold
- X Only holds a few cards

**Buy From Ralph Lauren** 

If you don't need to carry cash and only want to keep a few cards on hand when you go out, take a look at the RRL Roughout Suede Card Holder. This is a favorite of Patrick Burch, the owner of Cave + Post Trading Co. He explains, "Double RL (or 'RRL') has a cult following. Their designs and materials are out of this world. They get better with age and patina beautifully. And, the suede material they use is gorgeous." Indeed, this men's wallet is attractive with its light-brown suede construction, RRL debossed logo, and high-quality single-needle stitching around the edges.

Its very slim design allows you to carry up to four cards – two on each side. There's also a central slip pocket for stowing a few bills, another card, receipts, or other small items.

# **Specs**

List Price: \$195

Material: Suede

**Dimensions:** 3.75 in. H x 2.75 in. L

Buy From Ralph Lauren »

## **Best Luxury**

# Prada Saffiano Leather Wallet »



- Made from high-quality Saffiano leather
- Compartment for bills
- ✓ Holds eight cards

#### CONS:

- X Steep price tag
- X Not RFID-blocking

**Buy From Prada** 

Make a statement with this luxurious wallet from Prada. While it comes at a premium – nearly \$700 – it offers a sleek and timeless look that's available in four colors to match your style. Stay classic with black; opt for a neutral tone with caramel; or liven things up just a bit with bluette or Loden green. Each color option features the classic metal triangle Prada logo so you can proudly show off your new treasured possession.

Prada didn't skimp on materials when crafting this attractive accessory. It's made from Saffiano leather, a material that fashion stylist Hailey Genevieve highlights as one of the best options for a wallet. She explains that the material "is a stronger leather that can resist wear and tear more efficiently than a 'lambskin' product known to scratch easily." The wallet holds a good amount, as well. It offers eight card slots and a bill compartment.

### **Specs**

List Price: \$695

Material: Saffiano leather

**Dimensions:** 3.5 in. H x 4.3 in. W

Buy From Prada »

### **Best Leather**

### Shinola Slim Bifold Wallet »



### PROS:

- Durable, high-quality natural-grain leather
- ✓ Minimalist design
- Six card slots
- ✓ RFID protection

### CONS:

- × Pricey
- Only comes in two colors

**Buy From Shinola** 

The Shinola Slim Bifold Wallet is one of the models Burch highlights as a stylish pick for the minimalist man. "If you properly simplify and organize, your options will be huge! Now it is all about style because you can fit all of your 'necessities' in any wallet," he says. Burch explains that Shinola has developed a reputation for making high-quality leather wallets. "They are sleek, simple, and classy – and their leather is the best in the business." Burch even goes so far as to say that "the Shinola name is becoming almost a designer brand name without the designer price tag."

The Slim Bifold Wallet is crafted from natural-grain leather. It offers six card pockets and a leather-lined bill compartment. If you're looking for a secure wallet that'll protect your personal information from anyone with ill intentions, you also may be interested in this wallet. It offers RFID protection to prevent your card data from being read or stolen.

## **Specs**

List Price: \$225

Material: Natural grain leather

**Dimensions:** 3.25 in. H x 4.38 in. W x 0.5 in. D

Buy From Shinola »

### **Best RFID-Blocking**

### Secrid Slim Wallet »



- RFID protection
- Card-protector mechanism allows you to slide cards out with one simple motion
- Chipolo Tracker available for a separate cost
- Multiple color options
- ✓ Holds up to 12 cards

#### CONS:

- ★ A bit bulkier than other slim models
- X No full-width billfold

**Buy From Amazon** 

"If you want something a little more fun and colorful, the Secrid line is becoming more and more popular," shares Burch. If you want to see what all the fuss is about and protect your information from scanners, check out the Secrid Slim Wallet with RFID protection. For even greater security and peace of mind, you can purchase the Chipolo Tracker from Secrid separately. This thin tracker slides into one of the card slots in the wallet and can sync with the Apple Find My app, allowing you to track it should your wallet get misplaced or stolen.

While not quite as slim as some of the other models on our list, this model still offers a thin profile and compact design to let it slide seamlessly into your pants pockets. It is only slightly thicker than 1/2 inch and still offers space for 10 or more cards, bills, and more. Burch highlights Secrid's "patented mechanism that allows you to slide out your credit cards at the 'click of a button'" as one of the top-selling points of this model. He also notes that their product lines are available in "fun colors and materials" which can turn owners into collectors. This wallet is made from matte cowhide leather, giving it a smooth and sleek appearance. It comes in eight different color options so you're bound to find one that matches your unique style.

## **Specs**

List Price: \$99

Material: Matte cowhide leather

**Dimensions:** 4.05 in. H x 2.68 in. W x 0.63 in. D

Buy From Amazon »

### **Best for Travel**

# **Big Skinny Traveler Wallet »**



- Available in leather and
- ✓ Two ID windows

nylon options

Large capacity

CONS:

- ★ Top-grain leather isn't as durable as full-grain
- Limited color options in each style

**Buy From Big Skinny** 

Do you have some upcoming trips planned? If so, then the Big Skinny Traveler Wallet may be the perfect travel accessory to hold all of your essentials. Despite its slim profile of 0.38 inches, the thinnest of any of the wallets we reviewed, you can pack a lot into this model. It has two separate billfolds (tall enough to hold taller bills from other countries), a space to hold two to four passports, slots to accommodate up to 20 plastic cards and even additional room to hold some coins in a zippered pocket.

There are four different versions and materials of the Big Skinny Traveler Wallet to choose from. These include leather, nylon microfiber, leather with RFID blocking, and nylon with RFID blocking. The wallet costs around \$30, making it an affordable option.

### **Specs**

**List Price:** Starting at \$32.95 (Nylon Microfiber)

Material: Nylon microfiber or top-grain cowhide leather

**Dimensions:** 5.5 in. H x 4.5 in. W x 0.38 in. D

Buy From Big Skinny »

**Best for Capacity** 

## Osgoode Marley RFID Extra Page Hipster Walle...



- ✓ Holds up to 20 cards
- Divided bill compartment and three slip pockets
- ✓ ID window
- RFID protection

#### CONS:

- × Bulkier
- X Only three color choices

**Buy From Amazon** 

The Osgoode Marley RFID Extra Page Hipster Wallet can hold up to 20 cards, making it a suitable choice for those who need to be able to carry a lot with them. It also offers a divided billfold and three slip pockets, offering even more space to stash receipts, business cards, or photos. This model also has a dedicated ID window for those who want to avoid the hassle of taking their driver's license out and putting it back in when needed.

The wallet is constructed from smooth and supple genuine Argentinian cowhide leather. Choose from three color options (brandy, espresso, and

black). Plus, Osgoode Marley added RFID protection to prevent your personal data from being scanned through the wallet.

**Specs** 

List Price: \$100

Material: Cowhide leather

**Dimensions:** 4.75 in. H x 4.5 in. W

Buy From Amazon »

### The Bottom Line

While all of the men's wallets included on this list are solid choices, the Leatherology Thin Bifold Wallet stood out to us as the best overall pick. It combines a slim profile with ample space for cards and cash, offering the best of both worlds. We like that the wallet is made from genuine, full-grain leather, comes in different colors and finishes, and is available with RFID protection for a slight upcharge. However, depending on your reasons for looking for a new wallet, the styles and materials you prefer, and your budget, you may find a match with one of our other recommendations.

## Things To Consider When Buying Wallets for Men

**Size and Profile:** As you're shopping for a new wallet, it's important to think about the overall size and profile of the wallet, both as they relate to capacity, but also in terms of how comfortable the wallet will be to carry. Large wallets can be bulky. "Ideally you want it to 'disappear' and not show through your pants ... especially when wearing dress pants or flat front pants which are sleek, classy, and fashionable," says

Burch. Before you do anything," he recommends "decid[ing] what you 'need' to carry in your wallet." This can help you downsize and be better able to choose an appropriately sized wallet.

**Type:** While you think about the overall size and profile of your wallet, also consider which type you prefer. There are several wallet styles on the market. A few of the most popular options include:

- **Bifold Wallet:** Bifolds continue to be a top pick by many men. These wallets fold in half with slots for cards on each half of the fold. They also offer a bill compartment (or sometimes two different compartments to hold cash, receipts, and more).
- **Trifold Wallet:** As the name suggests, trifold wallets fold into thirds. With three interior sections, they offer more card slots. These models also have one or two bill compartments. One downside of trifold wallets is that they are thicker than bifold wallets, so they'll protrude more from a pants pocket.
- Card Holder: "My go-to recommended type of wallet is a cardholder," says
  Genevieve. These types of wallets have flexibility due to their small dimensions for
  a perfect pocket-sized fit. Since they are so compact, it makes for easy
  organizational use. Although there is no "cash pocket" many are using digital pay
  and credit cards now more than ever, so the need to carry cash is no longer a
  priority.
- **Money Clip:** A money clip is another slim and compact option to consider if you regularly carry cash. They typically offer a few card slots with a back clip to hold folded bills.

Materials and Durability: Material mustn't be overlooked during your search for a new wallet, and it should be durable and long-lasting. You don't want a broken wallet to threaten the security of your information, credit cards, and cash. Similarly, you also don't want to buy something now only to be searching for a new wallet in just a few years. "Full-grain leather reigns supreme," says Yusuf Perens of Galen Leather. With proper care, a leather wallet can last for many years to come. It'll also maintain an attractive appearance as the years pass.

Leather wallets can stretch, however. This can be a factor to consider if you tend to place too many cards in the same slot or carry lots of receipts and other information in your wallet. In these cases, or if you are looking for a more waterproof option,

ballistic nylon may be the better choice for you. Nylon is also thinner than leather, so choosing a wallet made from this material could be a better choice if you're looking for something that is ultra-slim.

In addition to the material used to make the wallet, Perens says to also "prioritize impeccable craftsmanship." He says, "Look for wallets constructed with attention to detail. Even stitching, flawless finishing, and the smooth operation of zippers are all hallmarks of a wallet built to last."

Capacity and Organization: Capacity and organization are two other essential features to keep in mind as you shop. Think about how much you need to carry in your wallet and choose a model with ample space to accommodate all of those essentials. Some features to look for include the number of card slots, the number of billfolds, and whether you want to place your driver's license in a clear window or if you're fine using one of the card slots.

Minimalist styles are also gaining popularity. Hailey Genevieve says, "My go-to recommendation type of wallet is a cardholder. These types of wallets have flexibility due to their small dimensions for a perfect pocket-sized fit. Since they are so compact, it makes for easy organizational use." She adds that while "there is no "cash pocket," many are using digital pay and credit cards now more than ever, so the need to carry cash is no longer a priority."

**Security:** With the advances in technology, there seem to be more bad actors who may try to scan information from your credit cards through your wallet. To counter this threat of theft, some manufacturers are integrating RFID protection into their wallet designs. RFID – or Radio Frequency Identification – refers to the computer chips embedded in credit cards that store personal information. RFID-blocking technology forms an electromagnetic shield covering your credit cards, blocking RFID scanners from accessing your information or money.

There are some even more secure options out there called ID Stronghold wallets. These offer greater protection by covering each card slot with an RFID shield, preventing scanners from picking up your information if your wallet is open.

**Style:** First, consider its overall design and aesthetic appeal. Then, think about the color, texture, and material of the wallet to determine whether it complements the majority of the items in your wardrobe. Visualizing the types of situations in which

you'll be taking it out of your pocket can also help guide you in making the right decision. For example, if you frequently take clients out to a business lunch, your selection should give off a professional vibe.

### How We Chose the Best Wallets for Men

When choosing the best wallets, we kept several factors and features in mind. First, we wanted to provide readers with a range of styles and materials to best suit their unique preferences. We also aimed to include wallets of different sizes and capacities to accommodate those who prefer to travel lightly as well as those who need to be able to carry several cards and other personal items. To help us further narrow down our picks and finalize our recommendations, we considered feedback from three experts in the industry: Patrick Burch, owner of Cave + Post Trading Co; Hailey Genevieve, fashion stylist and founder of Hailey Genevieve; and Yusuf Perens, owner of Galen Leather.

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### **FAQ**

What should I look for when choosing a high-quality men's wallet?

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What type of men's wallets are in style right now?

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### How do I clean a wallet?



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