

If you keep waking up to your sheets slipping off and bunching under you in the middle of the night, it might be time to see if you need deep-pocket sheets for your bed.

Mattresses between 16 and 18 inches tall require deep-pocket sheets, and ones that reach 19 to 22 inches need extra-deep deep-pocket sheets. These sheets are specifically cut and sewn to fit taller mattresses. They stay firmly in place, even as the most restless sleepers toss and turn. But when it comes to sheets, there's more to consider than just the fit. To get good and healthy rest, look for deep-pocket sheets that are breathable, comfortable, and built to last. Our top pick is the Company Store Legends Hotel Premium Smooth Supima Cotton Wrinkle-Free Sateen Bed Sheet Set but our list includes options that fit a range of needs.

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#### **Best Overall**

# The Company Store Legends Hotel Premium S...



#### PROS:

- Deep and extradeep options
- ✓ Wrinkle-resistant

#### CONS:

Some customers said the elastic was too weak to stay securely Many colors to choose from

Monogramming available Thinner and scratchier than some customers hoped

**Buy From The Company Store** 

The Company Store's Legends Hotel Premium Smooth Supima Cotton Wrinkle-Free Sateen Bed Sheet Set is made with American-grown Supima cotton, which is known for its breathable and moisture-wicking properties. Its standard sheets can fit mattresses up to 18 inches in height, while its deep-pocket option can fit those up to 20 inches tall, making it a great choice for most mattresses.

The sets – for sizes full and larger – include a fitted sheet, a flat sheet, and two pillowcases. You can even get the flat sheet and pillowcases monogrammed for an extra personalized flair. They're wrinkle-free, which is great for customers who don't like to iron their sheets but still want bedding with a clean, crisp look. The sheets are lightweight to suit every season but heavy enough to keep cold sleepers warm.

## **Specs**

**List Price:** \$314 (Deep Pocket Queen)

Sizes: Twin, twin XL, full, queen, king, California king, deep

pocket queen, deep pocket king, deep pocket California

king

Pocket Depth: 20 in. (Deep Pocket Queen)

Material: Cotton

**EXPAND LIST** 

Buy From The Company Store »

**Best Budget** 

# California Design Den Fitted Sheet »



#### PROS:

- Low cost
- Two cotton weave options
- Head and foot indicators

#### CONS:

- Only suited for mattresses up to 16 inches tall
- Material is thinner and rougher than some customers expected
- Only includes fitted sheet

**Buy From Amazon** 

This fitted sheet comes in several weave and color options including a range of thread counts with a sateen weave and a 300-thread-count percale option version, which is designed to be crisp, smooth, and durable. The sheet accommodates mattresses up to 16 inches in height and includes an elastic band around its entire length to prevent slipping. It has head and foot

indicators to simplify making the bed and is designed to be pill-free even after many washes.

Part of what makes it a budget buy is that it only includes a fitted sheet (flat sheet sold separately), so it's a great option if you already like your top sheet and pillowcases but need a base sheet that can accommodate the height of your mattress. The Organic Cotton Percale and 400 Thread Count options are available in all standard sizes from twin to California king, while the 500 Thread Count and up options have king as the largest size available. (Only the 600 Thread Count version increases the price.) The 400 Thread Count sheets come in the most colors, but you can get Bright White and other neutrals in any option.

## **Specs**

List Price: \$29.99 (Queen; 400 Thread Count, 500 Thread Count, or

Organic Cotton Percale)

Sizes: Twin, twin XL, full, queen, king California King (400

Thread Count, Organic Cotton Percale); twin, full, queen,

king (500 Thread Count, 600 Thread Count)

Pocket Depth: 16 in.

Material: Cotton

**EXPAND LIST** 

Buy From Amazon »

**Best Cooling** 

## Sheets & Giggles Eucalyptus Sheets »



#### PROS:

- Breathable, moisture-wicking fabric
- ✓ Include corner tags
- United States
   Department of
   Agriculture (USDA)
   Certified Biobased
- ✓ Go up to 20 inches
- Shipped in recyclable packaging

#### CONS:

- Some customers say the sheets wear out or pill quickly
- Some customers have problems keeping the fitted sheet on the bed

**Buy From Sheets & Giggles** 

Sheets & Giggles Eucalyptus Sheets are made with eucalyptus Lyocell, a soft and breathable fabric that's naturally cooling and moisture-wicking, which can help those who sweat at night stay comfortable. Sheets & Giggles sources its eucalyptus from Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified trees,

which means the trees were harvested responsibly and the local wildlife was unharmed.

The fitted sheet features all-around elastic and corner tags for an easier time making the bed, and its pockets go up to 20 inches deep. They're also designed to get softer with each wash. The sheets are happily enjoyed by customers with sensitive skin and allergies and even those who experience hot flashes. The set in sizes full and larger includes a flat sheet, a fitted sheet, and two pillowcases.

One important thing to note is only its original solid colors go up to 20 inches, while its striped options and newer colors are 17 inches, as the brand is standardizing its sheets to better fit its mattresses. Sheets & Giggles products are designed in Denver, Colorado, and manufactured sustainably in Mumbai, India. The brand's bedding is shipped in recyclable cardboard boxes to reduce plastic waste.

## **Specs**

List Price: \$189.95 (Queen)

Sizes: Twin regular, twin XL, full, queen, king, California king,

split king

Pocket Depth: 17 in. (Light Gray Stripes, French Blue Stripes, White

Stripes, Orchid, Ice Water); 20 in. (Gray, White, Pearl,

Sage, Purple, Lavender, Oat)

Material: Eucalyptus Lyocell

**EXPAND LIST** ✓

Buy From Sheets & Giggles »

**Best Luxury** 

## **Avocado Deep Pocket Organic Cotton Sheets »**



#### PROS:

- Made from extra-longstaple cotton
- ✓ Silky sateen finish
- Certified organic
- 22-inch pockets to fit supertall mattresses
- Come with a 100-night trial

#### CONS:

- Wrinkles easily
- Some may prefer a more matte finish

**Buy From Avocado** 

Avocado's Deep Pocket Organic Cotton Sheets are made with Global Organic Textile Standard (GOTS) certified cotton from India. With a sateen weave, these sheets have a soft, luxuriously silky sheen.

They're available in two colors: natural (which means it's undyed and retains the raw color of the cotton) and white. These sheets have 22-inch pockets, which is deeper than any of the other options on our list. The set includes a flat sheet, a fitted sheet, and two pillowcases (for all sizes except twin and twin XL) and comes with a 100-night trial period.

The cotton is directly purchased from family farmers to ensure traceability and ethical production. In addition to being certified organic, the sheets are approved by Made Safe, which tests for substances that can harm humans, animals, and ecosystems.

## **Specs**

List Price: \$259 (Queen)

Sizes: Twin, twin XL, full, queen, king, California king, split king

Pocket Depth: 22 in.

Material: Extra-long-staple organic cotton

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Buy From Avocado »

**Best Organic** 

**Boll & Branch Signature Hemmed Sheet Set »** 



#### PROS:

- Certified organic
- Made by a sustainable brand with a traceable manufacturing process
- Made with GOTSapproved dyes

#### CONS:

- Not as soft or durable as some customers expected
- Some customers said it's prone to wrinkling

**Buy From Boll & Branch** 

Boll & Branch's Signature Hemmed Sheet Set is made with 100% certified organic long-staple cotton. The signature four-over-one-under weave used to create these sheets is designed to make them softer after each wash. The fitted sheet has 17-inch pockets and a top-stitched elastic band to make the fit even more secure. The full-size and larger sets include a fitted sheet, a flat sheet, and two pillowcases with the option to add extra matching pillowcases for an additional charge.

In addition to the soft and breathable attributes the brand describes, the sheets are also designed to have a gentle drape for an aesthetically pleasing

appearance. The set is available in three collections of colors (solid, pattern, and embellished), all of which are colored with certified GOTS-approved dyes.

Boll & Branch works directly with farmers and its manufacturing partners to ensure sustainability and ethics throughout its supply chain. The brand lists all the ingredients involved in crafting the sheets, including the marigold flowers used to repel pests on its organic farms, the rainwater collected to reduce water usage, and the potato starch used to protect the integrity of the cotton fibers without plastic.

## **Specs**

**List Price:** Starting at \$279 (Queen, solid colors)

Sizes: Twin, twin XL, full, queen, king, king with standard

pillowcases, California king, split king

Pocket Depth: 17 in.

Material: Organic cotton

**EXPAND LIST** ~

Buy From Boll & Branch »

## The Bottom Line

Deep-pocket sheets are a must for any mattress more than 16 inches tall. While some deep-pocket sheets go up to 22 inches deep, most consumers will more easily be able to find a suitable set in the 16- to 20-inch range. The Company Store Legends Hotel Premium Smooth Supima Cotton Wrinkle-Free Sateen Bed Sheet Set is our best overall recommendation. It's Standard 100 by Oeko-Tex certified and has multiple options for different mattress heights.

# Things To Consider When Buying Deep-Pocket Sheets

**Pocket Depth:** The pocket depth you need depends on your particular mattress, so make sure you measure or check the specs of your mattress before you buy your sheets. This will help you determine if you need deep (16- to 18-inch) or extra-deep (19- to 22-inch) deep-pocket sheets. Additionally, check the specs of the sheets before you make your choice. Some products advertised as "deep-pocket" won't actually fit taller mattresses.

While some bedding makers say any extra pocket material can be tucked under the mattress and forgotten about, frequent customer complaints with deep-pocket sheets are regarding them sliding up and getting bunched under sleepers or wrinkling unpleasantly. Because of this, we recommend getting as close to your mattress size as you can (while still leaving a couple of inches to allow for shrinkage) and looking for options with strong elastic bands to further prevent slipping and bunching. This will also help increase the lifespan of the sheets.

**Material:** When it comes to sheets, not only are natural fibers more breathable but less likely to irritate skin sensitivities. Synthetic sheets, such as those made of polyester, are usually dyed with azo disperse dyes, which are common causes of skin irritation. Common natural-fiber sheet options include cotton, linen, hemp, silk, bamboo, and eucalyptus.

Cotton works great for many sleepers, as it's durable, comfortable, and breathable. However, not all cotton is the same. There are many different types of cotton, such as Pima, Supima, Egyptian, and Suvin. These fibers vary in staple length, which impacts the strength and softness of their weave when manufactured.

If you're a hot or sweaty sleeper, bamboo or eucalyptus-based materials may be best for you. Not only do they have the breathable qualities of natural fibers, but they're also naturally cooling and moisture-wicking. Look for fabrics like Lyocell or viscose, which are akin to brand names for these materials.

**Thread Count:** While thread count is a common draw for consumers looking for the best sheets, more threads don't automatically mean better or softer sheets. What's

most important is the length of the fiber itself, as this impacts the strength of the weave.

Though it doesn't directly translate to quality, there's a minimum thread count to look out for. Anything less than 200 has the potential to be rougher, which could be uncomfortable, but anything more than 400 is likely to be exaggerated unless the fiber used is of an extra-long length. This is partially why materials crafted with long fibers, such as Suvin cotton and Egyptian cotton, are softer and more durable (and often more expensive).

In short, don't just look at the thread count to make your decision – look at the quality of the natural fibers used in the material and the way it's woven.

**Certifications:** In addition to choosing natural fibers, we recommend looking for certifications that prove the materials are organic and nontoxic. Your bedding comes in direct contact with your skin for hours at a time, so it can have a great impact on your health.

To be sure the cotton used in sheets is truly organic and free of pesticides, look for certifications like GOTS. For sheets that don't contain any harmful dyes or finishes, look for Oeko-Tex or Made Safe certifications. If you're concerned about animal welfare, you can also seek out Certified Vegan brands, such as Avocado.

**Care Instructions:** To make your sheets last as long as possible, you need to read and follow the care instructions provided by the manufacturer. This is more than likely to increase the lifespan of the product.

Most sheets can be easily machine-washed, but many need to be washed specifically in cold or hot water and/or on a delicate or gentle cycle. There may be additional instructions on how to keep them free of wrinkles, such as taking them out of the dryer and making the bed as soon as they're finished or ironing them on a specific heat setting.

It's also important to check the care instructions before you use any fabric softeners or dryer sheets, as these can make cotton sheets less absorbent and ruin their color.

## **How We Chose the Best Deep-Pocket Sheets**

Our editors consulted with Dr. Shilpa Kauta, the director of the ChristianaCare Sleep Wellness Center, as well as several American bedding companies to determine what to look for in deep-pocket sheets and the best materials for different types of sleepers. From this, we learned that natural fibers are the most breathable, and bamboo and eucalyptus are the most cooling. We then narrowed our selection to brands that had organic or nontoxic certifications and prioritized the ones with both. Overall, we found there are plenty of safe and sustainable deep-pocket sheets at several depths and prices – with a lot of color options, too.

#### WHY SHOULD YOU TRUST US?

Our contributors and editors have years of experience researching, testing, and reviewing products. Anabelle Weissinger, the author of this piece, has four years of product reviewing experience and two years of experience in sustainable and nontoxic home goods. They've tested nontoxic sheets for EcoCult and know firsthand the difference sleeping on cotton makes. After switching to natural fiber sheets, they knew they would never buy synthetic sheets again. As a hot and restless sleeper who shares a bed with another hot sleeper and a big dog, they prefer a percale weave for the summers and a jersey knit for the rest of the year. Kayla Randolph and Marlo Jappen Porto, the editors of this piece, are home goods editors at U.S. News 360 Reviews.

## **FAQ**

How do I know if my mattress needs deep-pocket sheets?

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What are the drawbacks of using standard sheets on a mattress + that needs deep-pocket sheets?

### How long will my deep-pocket sheets last?



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