

# Discount Stores: Clothing, Shoes, and Furniture

Shopping at stores offering discounts on name brand merchandise will save you 20% or more off the price of the same merchandise available in department stores or specialty shops. Listed below are stores that are considered "discount" or "off-priced" stores. Furniture, household items, and clothing can be less expensive if purchased "second hand." It may be useful to check the "For Sale" and "Classified" sections in newspapers as well as "Garage" or "Yard" sale listings. These sales usually occur on weekends, when people sell their used belongings from their garages or front yards. Other sources of information include bulletin boards at places like housing complexes, laundromats, grocery stores, or the Harvard International Office. Craigslist is a web site with classified ads for a very broad spectrum of products and services, including everything from housing and employment, to household goods, cars, and much more. It is free to post and respond to ads. Postings are divided by regions. The Boston web site includes surrounding areas and can be found at [www.boston.craigslist.org](http://www.boston.craigslist.org)

## **Stores in Boston-Downtown Crossing (on the Red Line at the Downtown Crossing T stop)**

**DSW** – Brand name shoes at competitive prices with typical sale prices found at specialty retailers and department stores  
[www.dsw.com](http://www.dsw.com)  
385 Washington Street (617-556-0052)

**H&M** - Reasonably priced clothing  
[www.hm.com](http://www.hm.com)  
Several locations, including:  
Downtown Crossing, 350 Washington Street (617-482-7001)  
100 Newbury Street (617-859-3192)  
Cambridgeside Galleria, Cambridge (617-225-0895)

**Marshalls** - A large selection of discounted clothing and shoes, and some household items  
[www.marshallsonline.com](http://www.marshallsonline.com)  
Many locations including:  
Downtown Crossing, 350 Washington Street (617-338-6205)  
500 Boylston Street (617-262-6066)

**T. J. Maxx** - A national discount store chain that sells clothes and some household goods  
[www.tjmaxx.com](http://www.tjmaxx.com)  
Many locations, including:  
Downtown Crossing, 350 Washington Street (617-695-2424)  
Fresh Pond Shopping Center, 198 Alewife Parkway, Cambridge (617-492-8500)

## **Stores in Cambridge**

**The Garment District** - Alternative department store with inexpensive, trendy, vintage, and unusual clothing, and large "Dollar-A-Pound+" section  
[www.garment-district.com](http://www.garment-district.com)  
200 Broadway (617-876-5230)

**Keezer's** - Men's clothing including tuxedos at reasonable prices  
[www.keezers.com](http://www.keezers.com)  
140 River Street (617-547-2455)

**MIT Furniture Exchange** - Operated by the MIT Women's League, they buy and sell used furniture belonging to students and scholars during the summer and early fall. A Harvard ID is required for purchase. An informational flyer is available in the HIO.

[web.mit.edu/womensleague/fx](http://web.mit.edu/womensleague/fx)

350 Brookline Street (617-253-4293)

Tues and Thur 10 am - 4 pm; first Sat of every month 10 am - 1 pm. In case of inclement weather, call ahead to be sure they are open.

**Payless Shoesource** – Sells inexpensive shoes

[www.payless.com](http://www.payless.com)

Many locations including:

599 Massachusetts Ave, Central Square (617-864-4529)

Cambridgeside Galleria (617-225-0517)

**Sears** - A nationwide department store chain that sells clothes, household goods, appliances, and many other items

[www.sears.com](http://www.sears.com) - web site including “Sears Outlet” with clearance and liquidation sales

Many locations including:

Cambridgeside Galleria (617-252-3500)

### **Other Stores Accessible by Public Transportation**

**Filene's Basement** - One of the most popular discounted clothing stores in New England, also sells household items

[www.filenesbasement.com](http://www.filenesbasement.com)

497 Boylston Street (617-424-5520)

**IKEA** - Selling low-price products, including furniture, and other household items; offering a wide range of well-designed, functional home furnishing products at prices so low that many people will be able to afford them.

[www.ikea.com](http://www.ikea.com)

1 IKEA Way, Stoughton (781-344-4532)

(Note: This location is only accessible by public transportation by using the commuter rail and then taking a taxi to the store. For commuter rail schedules go to [www.mbta.com/traveling\\_t/schedules\\_commuterrail.asp](http://www.mbta.com/traveling_t/schedules_commuterrail.asp) and check the schedule for the Stoughton Line. Ikea will deliver larger items.)

**K-Mart** - This chain offers affordable household goods, clothing, and other items.

[www.kmart.com](http://www.kmart.com)

Many locations including:

77 Middlesex Avenue., Somerville (617-628-9500)

**Target** - A national discount store chain with a variety of goods including clothing and household items

[www.target.com](http://www.target.com)

Many locations including:

180 Somerville Avenue, Somerville (617-776-4036)

550 Arsenal Street, Watertown (617-924-6574)



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