

STRESS-FREE BLACK FRIDAY SHOPPING

tips for shopping online like a pro

Plan your budget ahead of time.

✓ Avoid spending by setting a clear budget before you start shopping. Use tools like Google Sheets or budgeting apps to track progress.

Make a Wishlist early.

✓ Add items to your list or cart before the sales begin. This way, you can quickly see what's discounted without searching for each item.

Check reviews before buying.

✓ Don't let flashy prices trick you into buying subpar products. Look at user reviews or verified ratings to ensure you're getting a quality deal.

Compare prices across retailers.

✓ Use price comparison tools or websites like CamelCamelCamel (for Amazon deals) to ensure you're getting the best price.

Use cashback apps/extensions.

✓ Install browser extensions like Rakuten or Honey to earn cashback or find coupons automatically.

Beware of fake sales.

✓ Not all discounts are genuine. Research regular prices beforehand to make sure the "deal" is actually a good one.

Prioritize high-demand items.

✓ If you're shopping for popular products like electronics or fitness gear, buy those first—hot-ticket items tend to sell out fast.

Pay attention to shipping costs.

✓ Some deals aren't worth it if shipping fees cancel out the savings. Look for retailers offering free or discounted shipping.

Use store apps for exclusives.

✓ Download apps for retailers like Amazon or Target to access app-only discounts or early deals.

Stay safe online.

✓ Only shop from trusted websites and avoid clicking on random links in emails. Double-check for "https" in the web address for added security.