Coffee Tables

Meant for gatherings, coffee tables typically attract a crowd of books, magazines and newspapers. When the clutter is scraped away, coffee tables come in handy for playing games and serving drinks too. Place them at least 18 in. away from your sofa to allow leg room. Most coffee tables are between 15 and 18 in. high. Keep the table size in proportion to your sofa. You don't want a bulky table in front of a small, compact sofa - just as a dainty table will be lost and useless with a giant L-shaped sofa. For a very large sofa, consider two small tables. Not every sofa needs a coffee table. Sometimes an end table does the trick.