



KAREN'S TREND TIP: Flash sales are quite popular. They're those short-term internet sales that grab your attention and really tempt you into making impulsive purchases. Trust me, I know all about that!

These sales entice you with what you think are low prices and great deals. Sometimes these are the bargains they appear to be. Other times, they are not. So, before you click "buy" and if you have a little bit of time, do a little digging around on the internet and make sure you are getting a good deal. Don't forget that you may also be paying shipping fees and tax on top of it all. With some research, you may find a better bargain elsewhere – even at a brick-and-mortar store.

Remember... Buy beware! Some flash sales sites won't let you return items and you're stuck with them if they don't work out. And, once in a while, you may also find delivery of your items could take a while, too. Make sure to read the fine print!