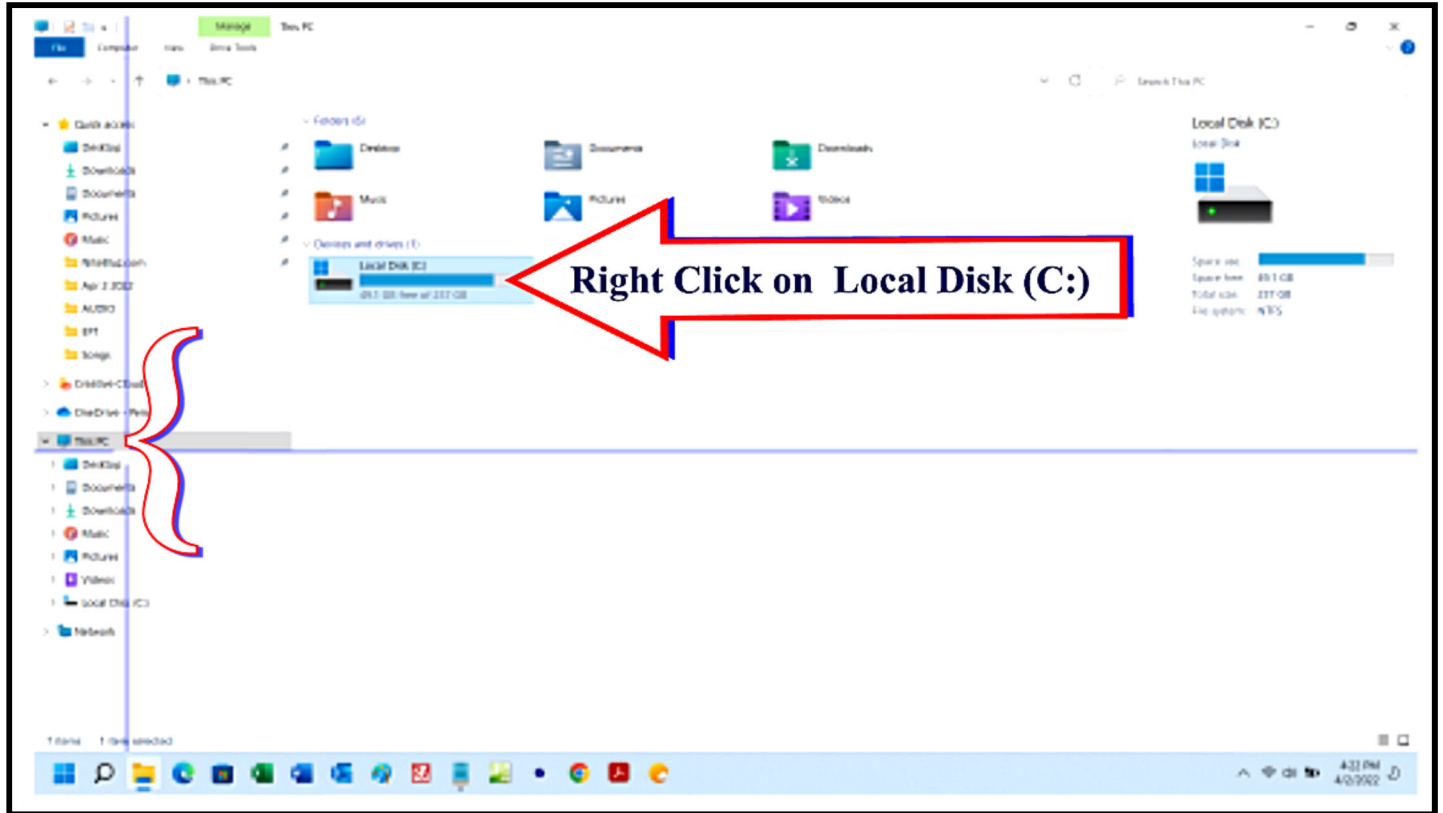


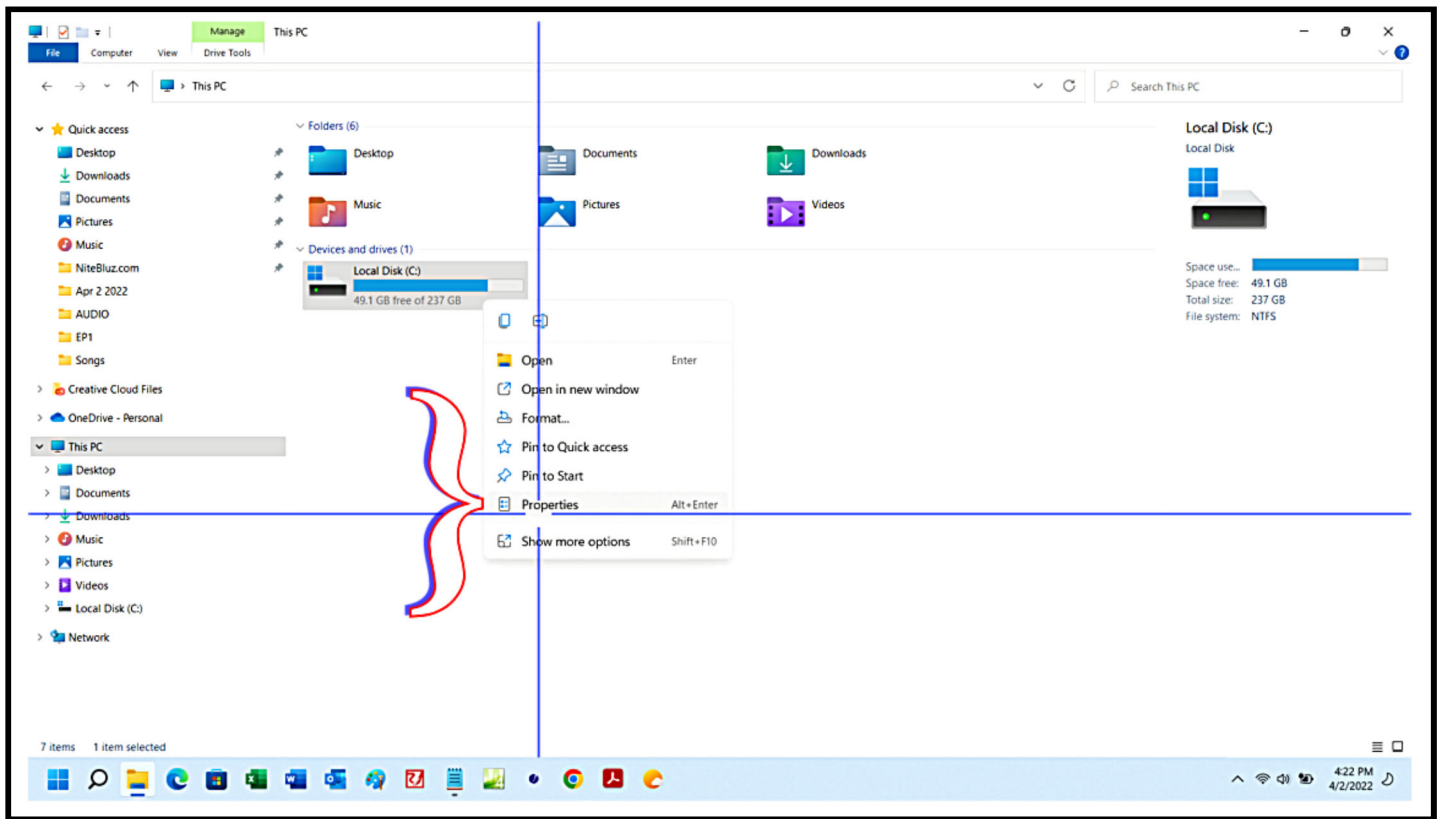
CLEAN UP DRIVE C: GET MORE CRAP OUT

Not only do Web browsers tend to collect stuff that can gum up the works but so do our root drives, whether Solid State or Hard Disk based. So we want to delete all of the various types of Temporary Files Windows collects.

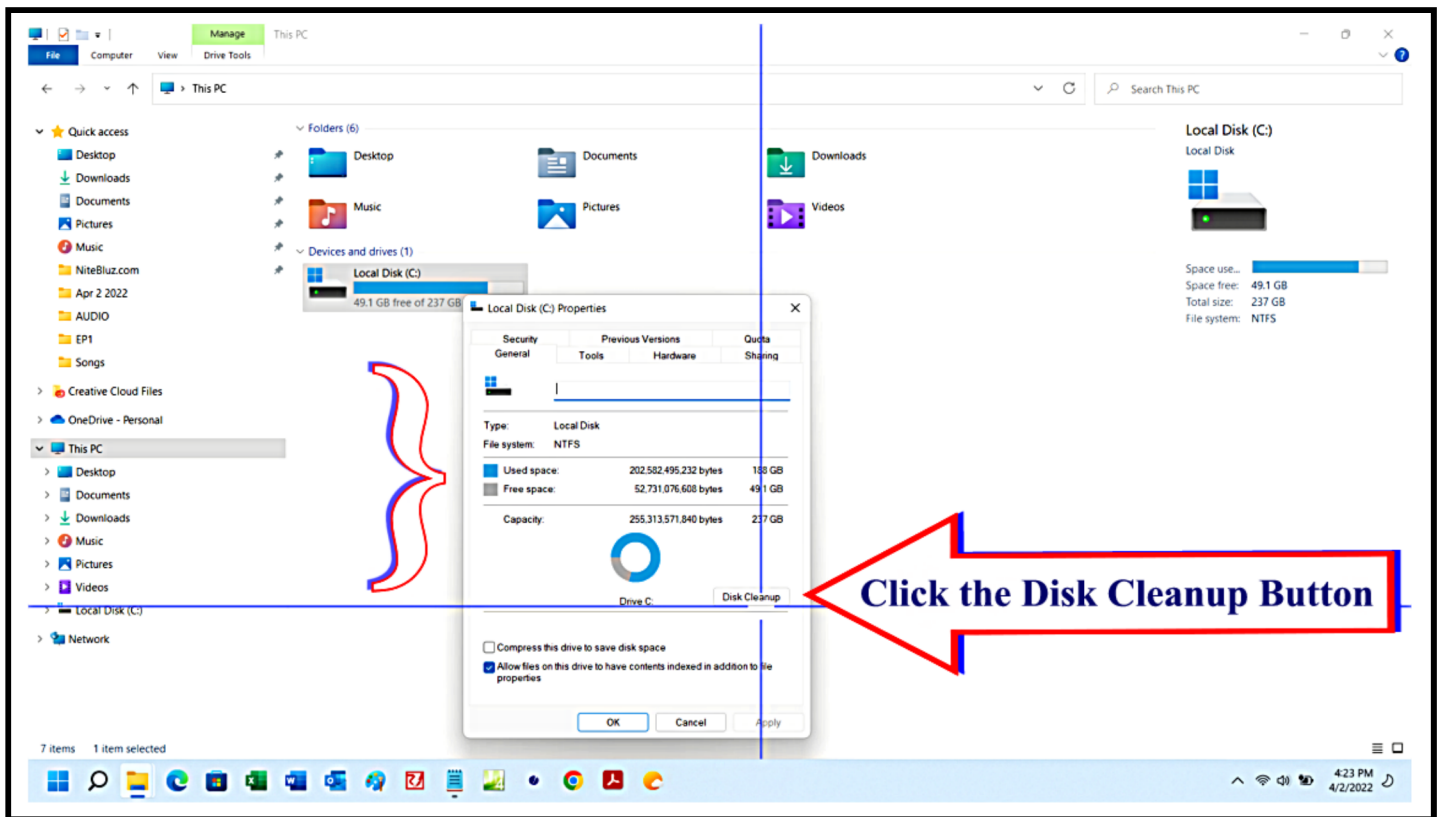
First, we open our ever trusty Windows File Explorer. From File Explorer, we open **This PC**. From there, we **RIGHT CLICK** the **C: Drive**.



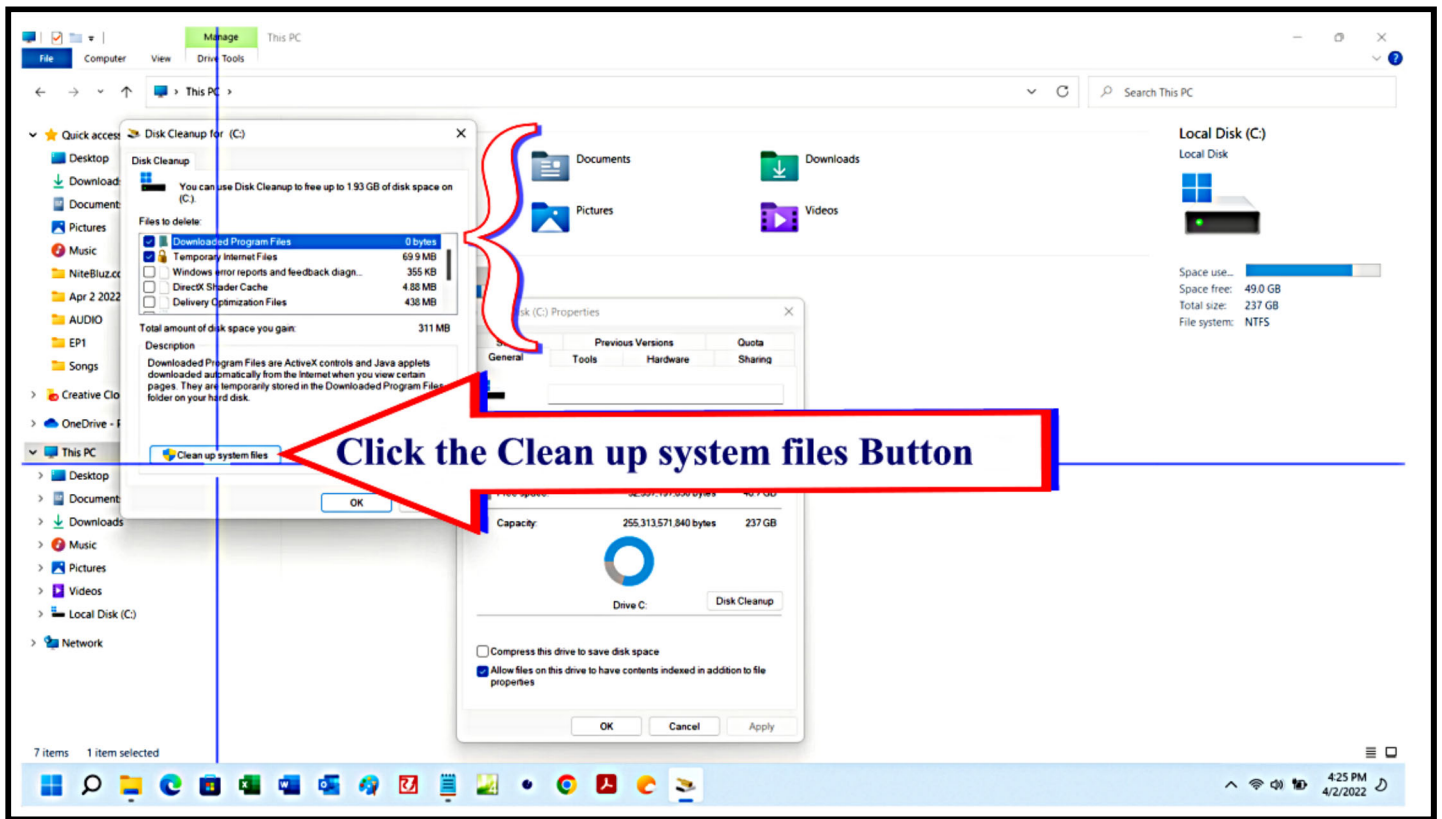
From the right click on Drive C:, we open up the context menu. From here, we **LEFT** click **Properties**.



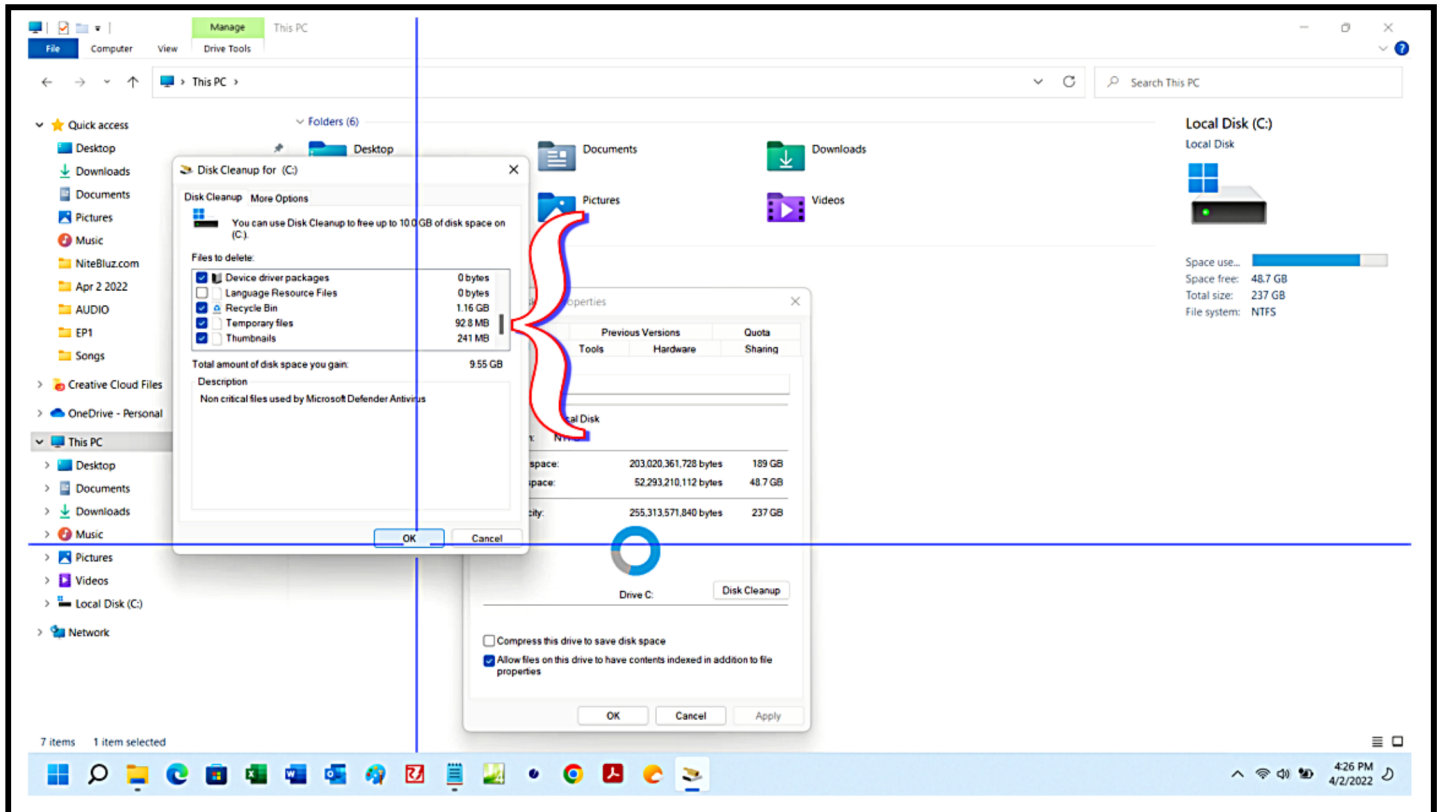
We can learn much from the Properties screen. For instance, how much free space is remaining on the drive.



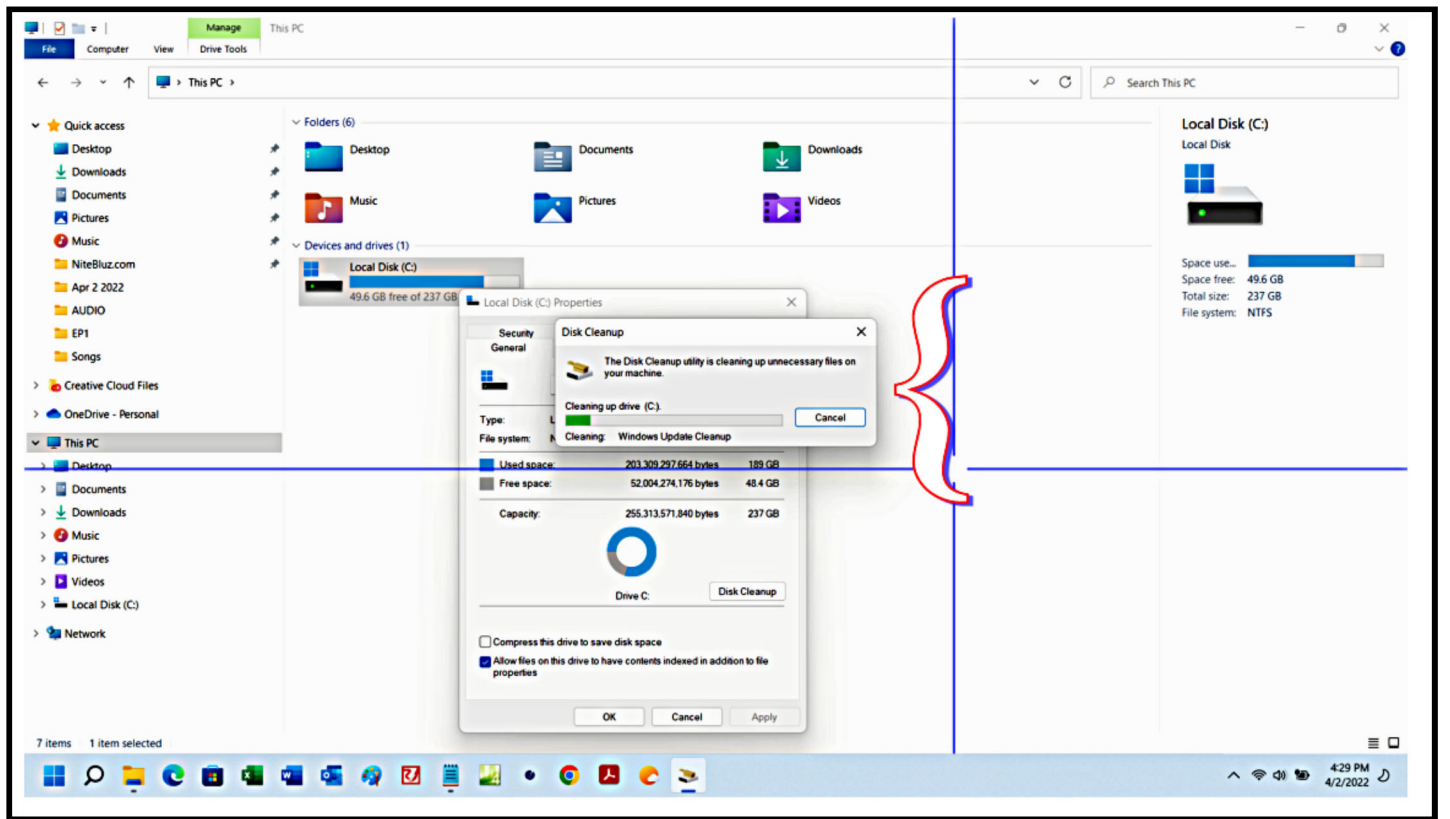
The Disk Cleanup button opens a dialogue box that offers very granular control over what files we delete and which we keep. We want to also delete unneeded "System Files." So click the System Files button.



Now we have the whole list of digital dust bunnies we want to delete. Temporary files, those dreaded "TEMPS", can all go. Might as well empty the Recycle Bin while we are here. **REMEMBER: SCROLL UP FROM HERE TO DELETE THE FIRST GROUP WE SAW ABOVE. Click OK.**



How long the deletion process will take depends on how much is to be deleted. Obviously, the more data to be deleted, the longer the process takes. **WAIT FOR THE PROCESS TO COMPLETE. Go get coffee.**



And OKAY. Now we can admire our handiwork. OK out of everything to get back to File Explorer. Right click on Drive C: and see how much drive space you have reclaimed. And, by going through all the steps herein, you also may notice an improvement in overall performance your PC seems to have.

AND I REPEAT...

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