

Getting Started Selecting your Cabinets



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Framed Cabinets

As the name suggests, [framed cabinets](#) have a face frame that covers the front of the cabinet box. The doors of framed cabinetry attach to the face frame itself, allowing more stability for the box, creating a strong, sturdy cabinet. It is most commonly known as American style or “**traditional**” cabinetry.

Frameless Cabinets

Just as the name suggests, [frameless cabinets](#) do not have a face frame. A frameless cabinet box offers more ease of access and storage space by removing the face frame. Frameless kitchen cabinetry has a sleeker look to it with seamless lines, and cabinet doors attached directly to the side of the box. It is most commonly known as full access, European style, or modern cabinetry.

Choose your Door Profile

There are so many options when it comes to styles and colors of doors. There are also countless possibilities when it comes to the layout.

Some of the most popular styles of cabinets are modern, traditional transitional, and contemporary cabinets. It is not wise to consider cabinet styles without considering the overall style of your house.

There are a variety of door designs to choose from. Doors are the most visible part of the cabinets, so choosing the style of the door is an important decision. A great way to narrow down your choices of cabinet doors is to decide on a door profile.

One of the common door styles is the shaker. There are a variety of colors, finishes, and materials. They are a perfect choice for traditional as well as modern kitchens. For an elegant look, you can add shaker white kitchen cabinets. They can come with a variety of classic and stylish handles.

Flat cabinets are an excellent choice for modern kitchens. You can also go for handle-less cabinets for a slick and stylish design. There are also inset cabinet doors that allow you to see the hinges.

Cabinet Door Style Glossary

There are dozens of different cabinet styles but choosing a construction and door type will help narrow the options. I tend to prefer modern to transitional cabinet styles. Transitional cabinets, like a transitional kitchen, are considered a blend of traditional and contemporary styles.

Depending on the architectural style of the home and taste preferences of my clients, I typically will select from a slab, flat panel, shaker, raised panel, or beaded door styles. Other popular styles include glass inset, mission, and arched cathedral.



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Flat panel



Exactly what it sounds like—the door has a single flat panel surrounded by molding.

Raised panel



Cabinets with raised panel doors are more traditional in style. The center panel is slightly raised by a contoured groove around the molding.

Shaker



These look similar to mission cabinets, but they have a narrower frame molding. The focus is on function and durability.

Slab



The most minimalist of options, slab cabinets feature no panels, molding, or ornamentation. They can have hardware pulls, but the ultimate minimalist will opt for a finger ledge or push-to-open mechanism to eliminate hardware altogether.



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Cabinet Categories

Once you have selected the style, color, and door style you are ready to select the product categories

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