

STEP 1: REVIEW THE PLANNING SECTION

The PLANNING section will assist you on designing your kitchen and provide you with many tips and suggestions to make your new kitchen layout simple to complete. This step is vital as measurements and clearances to obstacles such as plumbing, floor vents, windows and doors will often dictate what cabinet sizes you can use. Should you have any questions while reviewing the PLANNING section, always feel free to contact us. Our years of experience in high end kitchen design are always available to you!

STEP 2: DOWNLOAD THE LAYOUT GRID

Download the layout grid from the 'DOWNLOADS' section of our web site. The Layout Grid will aid you in determining a common scale for your kitchen and will make it much easier to lay out your new kitchen in proper proportion. This will also assist you in visualizing your new kitchen. Feel free to place tables, chairs, lighting or anything else you feel you need to be comfortable with your design. Lay out your walls and obstacles using the information in the PLANNING section to assist you. Make sure you use a common scale for laying out your walls. Most people use 4 squares on the layout grid per 1' of wall length.

STEP 3: SELECT YOUR CABINETS & ACCESSORIES

Go to the CABINETS section of the web site to review all the cabinets available to you. These downloadable sections are in categories such as walls, bases, and tall so that you can review only those cabinets critical to your design. As you design the kitchen, simply plot your cabinets on the layout grid. Be sure to use the appropriate scale for each cabinet as it relates to the overall scale you chose when plotting your walls.

STEP 4: SELECT YOUR WOOD, DOOR DESIGN & FINISH

Go to the STYLES/WOODS/FINISHES section and choose a wood specie, door design and finish color for your project. Beautiful Images are available to make your selection process simple and enjoyable. To make selection easier, we publish only the most popular colors and options, so don't be dismayed if you do not see one you like. Just give us a call if you are looking for something we don't show.

STEP 5: COMPLETE THE REQUEST FOR QUOTE FORM

Click the 'Submit a Request for Quote' button on the web site and then complete the order form in as much detail as possible, following these detailed guidelines. Always feel free to contact us with any questions as you prepare your quote!

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

1. **CUSTOMER NAME AND ADDRESS:** Fill in your name and the shipping address to which the product will be shipped. Only a valid address is acceptable, no PO boxes.
2. **CUSTOMER CONTACT INFORMATION:** Complete the phone, fax number and email section. It is critical that an email be supplied if you wish to ensure expedient correspondence. Ideally, quote documents are sent to our customers via email.

CABINET BOX CONSTRUCTION

Choose your cabinet line – Craftsman (all plywood cabinet with veneered interiors and solid wood shelf) or Pioneer (particleboard cabinet with wood grained melamine interiors), or Pioneer with solid wood shelf upgrade.

WOOD SPECIE

Select a wood specie for your cabinet boxes. You will select the specie for the doors and drawer fronts later (yes, you can mix woods in the same cabinet!).

DOOR OVERLAY

Choose your door overlay. Overlay is a term used to describe how far the door 'lays over' the front frame. The 1-1/4" overlay is considered a European or 'full' overlay. In this case, the door will cover most of the cabinet with only an 1/4" reveal to the outside of the cabinet box. A 1/2" overlay is considered a 'partial' or traditional overlay and will leave a 1" cabinet reveal. The 1-1/4" overlay is the more popular overlay but results in more finicky door adjustment and more care taken during the design phase to allow for proper door clearances with walls, trim and other cabinets. Other overlays, including inset and beaded inset are available, but require special pricing and ordering. If you desire on overlay other than the standard 1/2" or 1-1/4", just give us a call and we'll walk you through the details.

FINISHING OPTIONS

Your cabinets are available in several options including unfinished, clear coat (natural), stained, stained and glazed, painted or painted and glazed. Additionally, you can have the cabinets distressed (small pings and dings) and/or antiqued (corners worn down to create an aged

look). Other finishing options are available – call us if you have a specific look you are trying to achieve.

We don't need to know a color to price your project, so if you are unsure of a color at this point, just check 'stain' or 'paint' as appropriate. Once you have received your quote and decided to proceed, we can help you with your color selections later as you get closer to an order.

DRAWER BOX

A white Birch all wood dovetailed drawer box is standard and more than sufficient. However, some customers desire Hard Maple drawer boxes as the wood tends to be a little 'cleaner'. The Hard Maple box does garner an additional fee.

DRAWER GLIDE

Choose your drawer glide. The Blum Solo is a 3/4 extension undermount drawer glide. Under mount means the drawer glide is not visible. It rolls on a captive polymer roller and is considered adequate for many applications. The Blum Tandem soft close is the premium glide on the market today, extending all the way out of the cabinet for true full access and gliding on silky smooth tracks. This glide also offers Blum's highly lauded soft close (anti-slam) feature. This glide adds roughly \$35 to the price of each drawer in your project.

DOORS

Make a door selection from the **STYLES/WOODS/FINISHES** section and enter the door style name or number as it appears under the door image

Then, select a wood specie for your door. Check the box if you want the doors and drawer fronts to be the same as the cabinets (most common, obviously). If you choose to have a different specie (IE: Hard maple cabinets with Walnut doors), simply select the wood specie you desire for your doors/fronts.

Now select a wood grade. If you plan on painting the cabinets yourself, choose paint grade as the most economical option. Bear in mind that, while the Premium wood grade is slightly 'cleaner' than Standard grade, it is overkill in most situations and does come at an upcharge. Generally speaking, Premium is really only worth considering if you are either using a natural finish or a very light stain, or if you are looking for the absolute best color and grain match money can buy.

Then, choose your outside edge detail, inside framing bead and panel raise profile for your door. Profile options can be viewed by referencing the **STYLES/WOODS/FINISHES** section and clicking the appropriate yellow button to the right of the door image. All the edges shown on the order form with the exception of the FP (finger pull) edge are able to

accept concealed hinge boring. Other edge profiles are available. Contact us if you are looking for something not shown here. Bear in mind that many designs have edge profiles that are specific to the door design chosen and therefore cannot be modified. If unsure, simply leave this section blank as the options you select do not affect price. We will solidify your selections once you decide to move forward.

Note any special instructions for the doors on your order. Bear in mind that this instruction will apply to ALL the doors on the order! Examples of a 'global' instruction include panel grooving, specific odd width framing requests, corner pegs, etc.

DRAWER FRONTS

Choose your Drawer Front design. Generally speaking, there are three options: A) 1" #10 drawer front which features an outside edge to match the panel raise of your door. B) 3/4" thick slab drawer front C) 'matching' drawer front that is specifically designed to match the door design chosen above. There are many other drawer front designs available. Please contact us with any special requests.

Then, choose a grain direction for your drawer fronts. If the drawer front is a matching drawer, the grain direction will apply to the panel only.

Note any special instructions for the doors on your order. Bear in mind that this instruction will apply to ALL the drawer fronts on the order!

CABINETS & CABINET PARTS

QUANTITY: List the quantity of each item you require.

PRODUCT CODE: Write in the cabinet code for each cabinet. For instance: W3636BD or B3034.5BD

1/2" EXPOSED ENDS: Note L, R or B (Left, Right or Both) if you desire either or both ends of the cabinet to be finished to match. If nothing is selected, the standard cabinet side is provided which is a C grade, birch or maple non stainable veneer for Craftsman and a birch print melamine for Pioneer.

11/16" FLUSH ENDS: Note L, R or B (Left, Right or Both) if you desire either or both ends of the cabinet to be flush with the edge of the face frame and finished to match. Flush ends provide more of a furniture look and are very helpful in certain design applications. Contact us if you would like clarification in determining if a flush end is right or necessary for your application. If nothing is selected, the standard cabinet side is provided which is a C grade, birch or maple non stainable veneer for Craftsman and a birch print melamine for Pioneer.

EXTENDED STILES: Note L, R or B (Left, Right or Both) if you desire a 3" face frame extension on your cabinet. Extended stiles are used in lieu of fillers for a more custom look. The extended stile is trimmed by you at the time of install to get the cabinet tight to a wall or adjacent cabinet.

SHAPED TOP RAIL: Simply check if you desire that the top rail of your cabinet be constructed in a decorative arch. Only available on certain cabinets. See the Cabinet product downloads in the CABINETS section to determine if this is available for your cabinet.

FLUSH TOE: Simply check if you want your base or tall cabinet to have no toe recess. A flush toe means that the cabinet comes down to the floor with no toe box cutout for a more furniture-like look. This allows base molding to be applied to the cabinet base as well.

FLUSH TOE ROMAN ARCH: Check this box if you want the flush to option to include a decorative arched cutout. Ideally suited for decorative enhancements such as a sink cabinet that has been pulled forward or a standalone vanity cabinet.

MATCH INTERIOR: Check this box if you want the interior of the cabinet to be stained to match the cabinetry. This is strongly suggested for cabinets that will have glass doors or no doors for an open shelf look. Use this option for ANY cabinets that have doors on only part of the cabinet. If not selected, the exposed interior (the part with no doors over it) will come with the standard 'natural wood' interior and will not be stained to match!

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Use this space to call out any specific instructions for a given cabinet. Examples of common uses for this space include:

- Glass/Mullion doors
- No doors/drawer fronts (if trying to achieve an open shelf look)
- No hinge boring (may be using the cabinet for a trash pullout where the door is connected to the pullout and therefore not hinged)
- Add cutlery divider or other internal storage item
- Lazy susan instructions such as 'wood lazy susan upgrade'

LOOSE DOOR PANELS

List any loose doors you may need for things such as appliance panels, wainscot panels, etc.

OTHER ITEMS

Use this section to list accessory items such as moldings, toe kicks, carvings, interior accessories, etc. When in doubt, just describe the item in as much detail as possible. Because of our ability to provide custom sized and configured front frames, door panels and other items, we can usually meet any design need you may have so long as we understand

what it is you want! Of course we will contact you to discuss such items and some may require a CAD drawing that you will be able to review and approve. Always feel free to contact us to discuss your needs in more detail.

NOW, SUBMIT YOUR QUOTE REQUEST!

Review your form and then click submit. If you have chosen to print and complete a form by hand, then fax it to 704-662-8898 or digitize it and email it to info@thecabinetjoint.com. There is no need to mark your form as a quote as no orders go into production until the client has signed off on the order and payment information has been received.

ONCE YOUR QUOTE IS SUBMITTED...

- We will respond to you with a complete quote as soon as possible, generally within 24-48 hours.
- Orders with many cabinets or custom items may take longer. In some cases, we may need to consult with manufacturing to determine pricing or 'best way' construction methods. In such cases, it may take up to 3 or 4 days to process your quote request.
- Upon receiving the quotation, you may have questions and/or may desire clarification on certain items. At your convenience, simply contact us via email or by telephone and we will walk you through your order.
- When you are fully satisfied with your cabinet order, we will ask that you initial each page of the quotation and fax or email it back to us along with the completed credit card authorization form.
- Once your payment information is received, your order is released for production and your lead time commences.

While placing an order online for a high end custom kitchen or bath can be an intimidating concept, our goal is to make it as easy as possible for our clients. We are firm believers that a kitchen or bath remodel is the most rewarding home renovation project you can undertake and the process should generate a sense of accomplishment, not frustration! Remember, we are always a phone call or an email away and, after 20 years of kitchen and bath design and construction experience, we are confident that we can help you with your project!