

Personalize your space with custom *storage*



# MAKE A statement

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**W**hen it comes to home renovations, the two most frequent requests from homeowners are for more functional storage and for custom designed elements that add a personal touch. Combine the two, and you end up with something magical. Well-planned custom cabinetry will completely transform your space and is the secret to creating a home that's organized, functional and uniquely yours.

While custom cabinetry is often associated with large spaces, it's becoming an increasingly popular choice for homes of all sizes. It's all about maximizing every inch of

space, while also reflecting your distinct sense of style. Custom cabinets are no longer just about storage; they are a key part of your home's overall aesthetic.

However, before diving into a project, it's important to first evaluate how each room in your home is used. This will allow the cabinetry to serve its function and look beautiful, too.

## Function first

Certain areas of the home, such as closets, a pantry and a mudroom, are dedicated primarily to storage. These spaces are all about practicality and efficiency, where function trumps form. Cabinetry should reflect that. In these spaces, you'll likely want to prioritize organization and maximize

Custom cabinetry trends to consider for your next renovation

**1 Colour:** Gone are the days of bland, cookie-cutter cabinetry. Now, custom cabinetry allows you to infuse your style with a wide range of colours and finishes. Whether you're drawn to sleek, modern neutrals or vibrant, statement-making hues, custom cabinetry gives you the flexibility to create the perfect look for your home. However, choose carefully — this is an investment you'll want to live with for years to come. It's important to pick a colour that aligns with your overall home design, as well as your style.

**2 Maximize every inch:** Custom cabinetry allows you to make the most of every inch of your space, including areas you might have previously overlooked. For instance, extra-high cabinets can extend up to the ceiling, utilizing vertical space that's often left empty in standard cabinets. Corner cabinets are another excellent way to create storage for seasonal or seldom-used items that need to be tucked away but are still accessible when required. Custom dimensions ensure that no corner of your home goes unused, and every inch of available space is optimally utilized.

**3 Open versus closed shelving:** One of the biggest decisions when designing custom cabinets is whether to include open or closed shelving — or a mix of both. Open shelving is a great way to display collections, books or decorative items, allowing them to become part of the room's aesthetic. It's also ideal for items you need quick access to, such as plates, spices or toiletries. However, for those who prefer a cleaner, more minimalist look or want to conceal everyday clutter, closed cabinetry with doors is a more practical choice.

**4 Tech-integrated solutions:** A major trend right now is integrating tech-friendly features into cabinetry. For instance, hidden charging stations are becoming increasingly popular, allowing you to neatly store phones, tablets and laptops, while keeping cords out of sight. For those who love technology, custom cabinetry can also include built-in wireless speakers or even TV compartments that conceal electronics when not in use. These thoughtful additions help keep your space organized and enhance your lifestyle by blending tech seamlessly into your living environment.

**5 Function meets form:** One of the biggest advantages of custom cabinetry is that it's built specifically to your needs and preferences. You get to decide what features you want to prioritize, whether that means more drawer space, deeper cabinets for large pots, or clever pull-out organizers for easy access. With custom cabinetry, you're no longer limited by the constraints of mass-produced options — you can design a system that works entirely for your space, tailored to your preferred aesthetic.

storage capacity with strategies such as pull-out shelves, built-in dividers or even hidden compartments. The goal is to create a highly functional, clutter-free environment.

## Where style matters

Other rooms, such as in the kitchen, bathrooms and laundry room, have multiple roles. They serve as living areas, workspaces and storage hubs. In these areas, it's important to strike a balance between function and style. You want your storage solutions to work hard, but you also want it to contribute to the overall look and feel of the room.



## Elevate your space

Custom cabinetry is an investment. While the initial cost may be higher than off-the-shelf solutions, the value it brings in terms of functionality, longevity and design can pay off ten-fold. Custom cabinets help you stay organized and can also elevate the look of your entire home. Whether you're designing a modern kitchen or a family bathroom, custom cabinetry will add a touch of luxury and practicality to your home.



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