



KITCHEN PLANNING GUIDE

Answer these questions to give yourself and us an idea of what exactly you are looking for in a kitchen remodel.

FAMILY AND LIFESTYLE

1. Number of family members: _____
2. Number and approximate ages of family members:
Infants: _____ Young Children: _____ Teens: _____ 20 to 30 yrs: _____ 31 to 40 yrs: _____
41 to 50 yrs: _____ 51 to 60 yrs: _____ 61 to 70 yrs: _____ 70+: _____
3. If your family has young children, will they be using the kitchen frequently? Yes: ____ No: ____
4. How long do you plan on living in the home you are remodeling/building?
1 to 5 yrs: ____ 6 to 10 yrs: ____ 11 to 20 yrs: ____ 20+: ____
5. Where does your family eat its meals? Kitchen: ____ Dining Room: ____ Other: ____
6. Where will your family eat after you remodel/build? Kitchen: ____ Dining Room: ____ Other: ____
7. Do you require a kitchen table or would you be willing to explore other options if a design could be improved? A kitchen table is required: ____ Explore other options: ____
Preferred but open to other options: ____ Not necessary: ____
8. What other activities will take place in your new kitchen? Laundry: ____ Homework: ____
Watching TV: ____ Paying Bills: ____ Sewing: ____ Computer Center: ____ Other: ____
9. After your remodel/build will you entertain frequently? Yes: ____ No: ____
If Yes...What is your entertainment style? Formal: ____ Informal: ____
Do you have large or small gatherings? Over 10 people: ____ Under 10 people: ____
Do your guests help you in the kitchen when you entertain? Yes: ____ No: ____
Do you typically cook the food yourself or have it catered? Cook: ____ Catered: ____
10. How do you shop? For the week: ____ For each meal: ____ Buy non-perishable items in bulk: ____
Buy in bulk and freeze: ____
If you buy in bulk, do you require storage in the kitchen for all or most of these items? Yes: ____ No: ____

COOKING STYLE

1. Who is the primary cook? _____
2. Is the primary cook Left handed or Right handed? _____
3. How tall is the primary cook? _____
4. What is the primary cook's cooking style? Gourmet meals: ____ Family Meals: ____
Quick and Simple meals: ____ Baking: ____ Bringing meals Home: ____
5. What does the primary cook prefer? No one else in the kitchen while preparing meals: ____
A helper in the kitchen when preparing meals: ____ Family or friends visiting during meal preparation: ____
6. Does the primary cook have any physical limitations? Yes: ____ No: ____
7. Who is the secondary cook? _____
8. Is the secondary cook Left handed or Right handed? _____
9. How tall is the secondary cook? _____
10. Do the secondary and primary cook prepare meals together? Yes: ____ No: ____
11. What are the secondary cook's responsibilities? Preparing side dishes: ____ Cleanup: ____
Assist in preparing main course: ____

STORAGE NEEDS

1. What are my storage requirements? _____
2. What storage improvements would I like to see in my new kitchen? _____

3. Looking at what you have now, where would you want to put everything in the new kitchen? _____

4. Would you like your new kitchen to have a special spot for storing trays, cookie sheets, and other flat items? Yes: ____ No: ____
5. Taller shelves for storing wine glasses and vases? Yes: ____ No: ____

DESIGN AND STYLE

1. What are your color preferences for your new kitchen? _____
2. Are there colors you would not want in your new kitchen? _____
3. Have you created a scrapbook of notes, photos, and ideas that you would like to use in your new kitchen?
Yes: ____ No: ____
*If you answered no, it is greatly recommended that you compile a wish book of ideas that catch your eye. Include photos, drawings, descriptions, and lists of what you want in your new kitchen. Keep in mind color preferences, layouts, and products. Don't exclude things you do not like. They help direct us in the right direction.
4. If a design could be greatly improved, would you be willing to make structural changes?
(i.e. moving windows, doors, and walls) Yes: ____ No: ____
5. What do you like/dislike about your current kitchen? _____

What don't I like about how it looks? _____

Do I have enough countertop space for preparing meals? Yes: ____ No: ____

Is my sink large enough? Yes: ____ No: ____

Do I have enough refrigerator and freezer space? Yes: ____ No: ____

Do I need more storage space? Yes: ____ No: ____

Do I have enough shelf space? Yes: ____ No: ____

Do my cabinet doors open easily? Yes: ____ No: ____

Is there enough space for me to comfortably prepare meals and cook? Yes: ____ No: ____

Do I need more space in the kitchen for working on the computer, paying bills, and other tasks?

Yes: ____ No: ____

Do I have enough electrical outlets? Yes: ____ No: ____

Can I adjust my cabinet shelves? Yes: ____ No: ____

Is my dishwasher easy to load and unload? Yes: ____ No: ____

Is fresh water easily accessible when I'm cooking? Do I need an additional sink or faucet? Yes: ____ No: ____

Does the kitchen meet the special needs of family members? Yes: ____ No: ____

Is my kitchen easy to clean? Yes: ____ No: ____

Do I have enough light to work by? Yes: ____ No: ____

6. Do you require a recycling center in your kitchen? Yes: ____ No: ____

If Yes... How many items do you need to sort? _____

7. Will you be keeping your existing appliances?

Dishwasher: Existing New

Refrigerator: Existing New

Oven/Range: Existing New

8. What is your style preference for your new kitchen? Contemporary: ____ Formal: ____ Country: ____

Traditional: ____

9. What is the architectural style of my home? Do I want my new kitchen to reflect this style? _____

10. What do I like about my friend's kitchens? Snap photos of your favorites.

TIME AND BUDGET

1. When would you like to begin your project? _____
2. When would you like your project completed? _____
3. If you are building, is the kitchen in your contract? Yes: ____ No: ____

