

Upgrading the Value of your Home with Kitchen and Bath Cabinets

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- Mike Burnette

Whether you want to update your home for yourself – or the next new owner if you're planning to sell – you can increase its value with kitchen and bath cabinet upgrades.

If your goal is to remove outdated styles and colors (like white) and replace with new, more popular colors such as cherry, oak, and walnut, Mike recommends KraftMaid, a popular brand on HGTV home-building shows.

A good cabinet-industry professional can help you easily achieve your design vision while saving you time, money and frustration.

Here's what you should cover in your first meeting:

- Review their portfolio and ask for a list of references to call.
- Agree on expectations and a plan before signing anything.
- Discuss the time-frame for the project, and all costs.
- Before ordering, ask your installer to do final measurements.
- Discuss removal of old cabinets.
- Will you have a working kitchen during installation (sinks, oven, etc.)?
- Get copies of insurance certificates.
- What are the local building codes? Are permit(s) needed?

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