



THE ESSENTIAL KITCHEN DESIGN CHECKLIST

all the stuff you'll need to consider to design a kickass kitchen



Hey there! I'm Lesley Myrick. I'm an adventurous, organized, and enthusiastic interior designer who helps high-achieving moms bust out of boring homes - without stress and overwhelm.

This kitchen design checklist is the exact tool I use at Lesley Myrick Art + Design when I start a new kitchen remodel project. It includes four major categories to consider (fixtures + finishes, plumbing, appliances, and storage) as well as alllll the nitty-gritty details you'll need to cover in each category. Having this checklist as a guideline helps me start and manage a kitchen design with confidence, and I hope it will do the same for you.

Get ready to kickstart your interior design project and plan your kitchen remodel with confidence!

I know kitchens are a beast to design (even with a checklist) and I'd love to help you with your kitchen if you're feeling stuck. Learn more at lesleymyrick.com/work-with-us - and yes, we work with clients all over the US and Canada.

Rock on,



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fixtures + finishes

CABINETS

- Door Style (full overlay, partial overlay, inset)
- Door Profile
- Soft Close
- Material Type
- Finish (paint/stain)
- Sheen level
- Interior Material
- Location of hardware
- Interior features
- Under-cabinet lighting

COUNTERTOPS

- Material type
- Color/Style
- Finish
- Thickness
- Edge detail
- Transitions
- Waterfall

BACKSPLASH

- Material type
- Sizes
- Color/style
- Grout
- Finish
- Transitions

FLOORING

- Material type
- Size
- Color/style
- Finish
- Grout width
- Grout color
- Sealant
- Transitions

WALLS

- Material (Paint, wallpaper, wood, tile)
- Color/style
- Sheen level
- Finish treatment

TRIM + MOLDINGS

- Materials
- Profiles
- Paint/stain colors
- Sheen level

LIGHTING

- Ambient: Recessed lighting or ceiling fixture
- Task: Pendant lighting over island
- Accent: Under-cabinet, over-cabinet, toe-kick
- Chandelier for breakfast area

plumbing

PRIMARY SINK

- Material
- Single or double basin

PRIMARY FAUCET

- Faucet mount
- Finish
- Features
- Instant hot water

POT FILLER

- Faucet mount
- Finish
- Features

SECONDARY SINK

- Material
- Single or double basin

SECONDARY FAUCET

- Faucet mount
- Finish
- Features
- Instant hot water

GARBAGE DISPOSAL

- Horsepower/RPM
- Sound rating
- Size
- Switch/operation style



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appliances

COOKTOP

- Size
- Heat supply (gas, electric, induction)
- Number of burners
- Built-in vs. slide-in
- Finish
- Down vent option

RANGE HOOD

- Size
- Integrated or exposed
- Under-cabinet, wall-mount, island, downdraft
- Material/finish
- DB level
- Lighting
- Washable filters
- Hardware/design details

REFRIGERATOR

- Size
- Single or double
- Door swing/style
- Material/Finish
- Custom panel
- Depth
- In-door amenities (water, ice)
- Smartphone connectivity

SMALL APPLIANCES

- Coffee maker
- Coffee grinder
- Toaster
- Kettle
- Slow cooker
- Deep fryer

OVEN

- Size
- Built-in or integrated in range
- Single or double
- Warming drawer
- Convection

WARMING DRAWER

- Size
- Integrated in oven, or separate

MICROWAVE

- Size
- Integrated, countertop, over range
- Drawer microwave

WINE REFRIGERATOR

- Under-cabinet or freestanding
- Size
- Finish

DISHWASHER

- Single or double
- Finish
- Control panel on front or door
- Custom panel

storage needs

STORAGE IN CABINETS

- Food storage containers
- Bakeware
- Baking sheets
- Pots + pans
- Cutting boards
- Glasses (water, red, white, cocktail)
- Children's dishware
- Dishware (plates, bowls)
- Serveware
- Small appliances

STORAGE IN DRAWERS

- Cutlery
- Napkins/dish towels
- Knives
- Children's cutlery
- Cooking tools
- Serving tools
- BBQ tools



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KITCHEN BUDGET PLANNER

With so many variables in a kitchen remodel, your investment for a renovation might include elements from each of the *good*, *better*, and *best* lists. But overall, this is what our clients typically spend to give you a starting point for planning.

BEST

- New Layout
- High-End Appliances
- High-End Fixtures
- High-End Finishes
- Fully Custom Cabinetry
- Art + Decor

TOTAL: \$150,000

BETTER

- New Layout
- Upgraded Appliances
- Upgraded Fixtures
- Upgraded Finishes
- Semi-Custom Cabinetry
- Art + Decor

TOTAL: \$75,000

GOOD

- Existing Layout
- Standard Appliances
- Standard Fixtures
- Standard Finishes
- Stock Cabinetry
- Art + Decor

TOTAL: \$35,000

Other investments to consider when planning your overall project budget: materials and finishes; interior designer; architect, contractor; and miscellaneous expenses like shipping, receiving, storage, white-glove delivery, permits, and taxes.

