

## Do-It-Yourself: Kitchen Cabinets Make Quick, Easy Built-ins

Imaginative homeowners have discovered that kitchen cabinets offer expedient short-cuts for built-ins. These unfinished, ready-made units available at well-stocked lumber yards, can solve many decorating and storage problems throughout the house.

They fill a variety of furnishing needs whether used singly as chests and cupboards, or in various combinations to form room dividers or to build up a useful surrounding for a vanity table and mirror.

Such cabinets, usually made of ponderosa pine because of its ease in workability, are suitable for almost any type of finish—paint, stain or waxing in natural tones.

A regular kitchen base cabinet, properly finished, with a lamp placed on top, makes a serviceable night table. Two such cabinets on either side of a sofa provide smart end tables with plenty of storage space for ash trays, glasses and coasters.

Two base cabinets set side by side and covered with a marble top make an attractive dresser. Two cabinets placed a few feet apart and bridged with a paneled door covered with a sheet of plate glass form a sturdy modern desk. Add a wall mirror in back of this arrangement and you have a vanity.



SMART AND USEFUL room dividers in the style of modern built-ins can be quickly assembled by using standard kitchen cabinets available at well-stocked lumber yards. These pre-made cabinets are easy to paint, stain, varnish or wax to harmonize with any room in the house. In this picture they are used to separate dining room from living room. They can be grouped around mirrors in a bedroom to form an attractive vanity corner.

ANOTHER EXAMPLE of do-it-yourself remodeling and finishing is the Robert M. Fritchard home, 3030 Hulsey Avenue. Like many other Salem families, the Fritchards moved into their home before it was finished and have been working on the last touches themselves. Transforming their bare basement into a pleasant place to relax included building benches along the wall and a refreshment bar. Later, they plan to tile the concrete floor. (Joe Tompkins Photo)

### Here's How Much A Gallon Covers

Here is table prepared by painting experts showing the average areas in square feet which one gallon of paint should cover when applied with a brush:

SURFACE	First or Primer	Second Coat	Third Coat
Exterior Wood Siding	408	540	630
Exterior Trim	850	900	972
Wood Shingle Siding	342	423	
Asbestos Wall Shingles	378	400	
Interior Smooth Plaster:			
Flat Oil Paint	630	540	630
Gloss or Semi-Gloss	630	540	540
Interior Doors and Windows (Enamel)	603	405	504

## How to Estimate Paint Job

The quickest way to estimate the amount of paint needed to paint your house is to measure the distance around the house, multiply by the height of the house, without deducting for windows and doors, and then divide by the number of square feet which can be covered by one gallon of paint.

A gallon of primer for a first coat is supposed to cover 400 square feet of frame siding—clapboards. One gallon for a second coat will spread to 540 square feet. A gallon for a third coat should cover 630 square feet. These figures are for brush application.

Experts agree that several thin coats of paint will look better and last longer than a lesser number of heavy coats.

**Your Money's Worth**  
The smartest economy is to use a high quality paint at all times. Cheap paint may look good at first, but it can chalk and wash away too fast, or chip and peel. A good paint is formulated to provide a tough and durable film that still can "breathe," as the painters call it.

The reason no deduction is made for windows and doors, unless they have an area of more than 100 square feet each, is that these openings will be canceled out by the areas added by board edges, eaves and other irregularities.

Dormer windows protruding from a roof are quickly figured as adding 100 square feet each, regardless of their widths.

**Figuring Gable Areas**  
A plain gable at the end of a pitched roof is figured by multiplying the width at the eaves line by the height from gable base to peak and dividing by 2.

A gothic gable, like the type commonly used on barns, Dutch colonial houses and the like, is figured the same way as a plain gable and then 50 per cent is added. A gambrel gable, lower than the gothic, calls for an addition of only 25 per cent.

Eaves are not figured separately unless the overhang is 1-foot or more. For projecting beams under an overhang, double the area.

If you plan to paint the trim the same color as the walls, no special figuring is needed since the windows and doors were not deducted for the total area. When more than one coat is being used, the first coat for the trim also can be the same as used on the rest of the house. Good practice, however, usually calls for tinting the under coat for trim to approximately the finish color for perfect coverage.

The amount of paint needed for a finish color for trim can generally be figured at one-quarter the amount needed for the final coat on the walls.

**Figuring Windows Separately**  
If you want to estimate the trim separately, a handy rule is to figure 35 square feet for each window and door. This will allow for painting one side of the door and its frame and for covering one side of the window sash and its frame.

For painting both sides of wood framed storm sash, figure 15 square feet. The same goes for wood framed screens. The wire mesh of about eight screens can be painted with one pint of screen enamel.

Shutters are figured at 35 square feet per pair, covering both sides. To estimate for columns, either square or round, multiply the length around by the height.

**JUNIOR BATHROOMS**  
Miniature toilets for children are made by plumbing fixture manufacturers. Other fixtures for a child's bathroom are about the same as any. Lavatories are hung closer to the floor for youngsters and can be raised later. Small sized bathtubs are common. You've probably tried them in hotels.

**HARD OR SOFT WOOD**  
Hardwoods generally come from trees that have broad leaves. Most softwoods come from evergreens.

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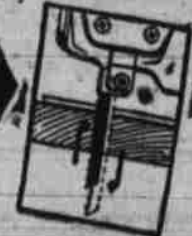


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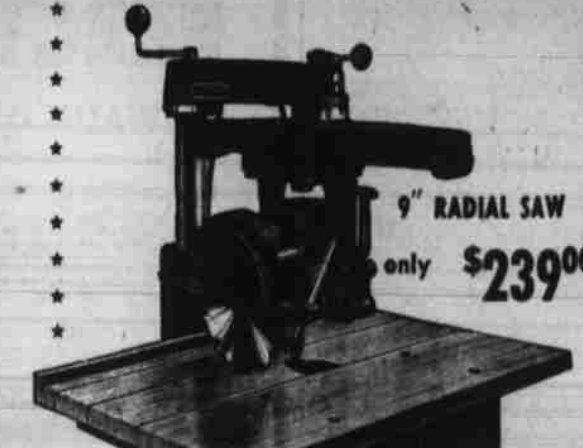
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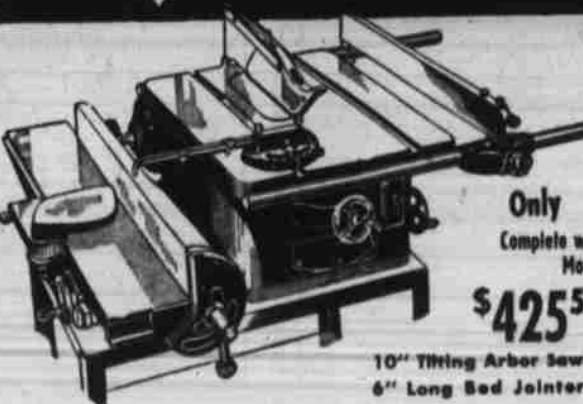


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