

# design and remodeling

## design magic:

### Custom cabinetry design: It's more than just kitchens

When you think of custom cabinets, you probably think of kitchen remodels with the latest in finishes and features. But custom cabinetry can do so much more, turning any space in your home into a design statement.

#### Butler's Pantry

The butler's pantry is making a comeback. Traditionally, the short hallway between the kitchen and dining room served as an area to store china and serving pieces. Today, custom cabinetry can turn any underutilized hallway or small room into a modern butler's pantry or wet bar. This creates a space to both entertain and display, allowing for easy access to glassware and silver or a surface to set out appetizers, drinks and dessert.

#### Laundry Room

Often a hub of family activity, utilitarian spaces such as laundry and mudrooms rarely get the design attention they deserve. Custom cabinetry can create a multi-purpose space to simplify household chores, store sports gear and school supplies, keep daily items within reach, and even function as a grooming center for your family pet.

#### Garage

Garages can become a catch-all pit of no return. But custom cabinetry design can turn this space into a workshop, tool shed, garden nursery, extra storage space, shelter for the family car, or all of the above. A remodeled garage can help busy families experience less stress coming and going, or give weekend warriors a place to enjoy their hobbies. With work benches, hanging hooks and high shelves, small tools become easier to find, household chemicals are out of harms way, and large items like bikes are stored safely out of walkways.

#### Home Office

Whether you work from home or not, all families need a place to organize and conduct the business of daily life. Spare bedrooms can be turned into functional and productive retreats for professionals that work from home. Even awkward unused corners of your home can be turned into a productive office nook.

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# CREATIVE CABINET *solutions*

## *laundry room*

Custom cabinetry is essential in designing a functional laundry room. A lot of homeowners choose front loading washers and dryers for energy-efficiency and accessibility. In order to make the most of this limited space, we designed a custom cabinet to sit between the two units. This narrow cabinet has two pull-out drawers to store commonly-used laundry supplies within reach for daily chores. The cabinet is topped with a durable solid surface for use to fold clothes or temporarily place clothing hampers. It also sits on casters so it can be easily moved to clean or perform maintenance on the washer and dryer.



## *message center*

We made the most out of the end of this kitchen cabinet by creating a message center to store keys, mail, bills and important information. A dry erase board on the inside of the door provides a space for family notes and reminders. Everything is tucked out of sight, but totally within reach as a center of information.



## *shower*

Showers need extra storage to store all of our toiletries. This locker cabinet is recessed into the wall to provide almost six feet of storage in an attractive, mess-free manner.



## *kitchen*

Because the kitchen is a hub of activity in the home, this space needs to serve multiple purposes. We created a wall of cabinets to serve as a place to store kitchen appliances, a pantry for dry goods, a bill paying station and a catch-all for other odds and ends.

In order to keep the space clutter-free, we installed two cabinets with retractable doors to store both the microwave and the television. The doors slide back to provide space while the appliances are in use, and keep everything out of sight when closed.



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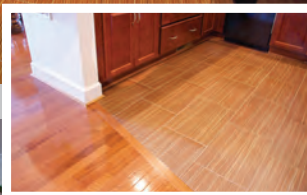
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# BUILDER-GRADE

*upgrade*

"Builder grade" is a term used to refer to the lowest ranking home construction materials, compared to quality, custom and ultra custom grades. This client found some of her builder grade finishings, although in good shape, were a bit too basic for her taste. Time for an upgrade!



TOP & BOTTOM: Keeping the original cabinets, we added a quartz countertop, granite composite sink and upgraded faucet and flooring, turning this basic builder grade kitchen into a high quality, beautiful kitchen.

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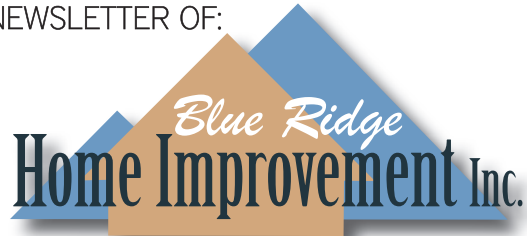
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## Project Files

Creating  
Storage in  
Limited  
Space

### problem

We widened the doorway to the bathing area, only leaving enough space for an 18" deep vanity. However, we couldn't recess a medicine cabinet on the back wall due to an obstruction.



### solution

Because storage was important to the homeowner and a recessed medicine cabinet wasn't an option, we placed a mirror on the back wall and recessed a long, narrow medicine cabinet on the side wall. There was no loss of storage, and no bulky wall-hanging cabinetry taking up the space.