

# Standard Cabinet Sizes and Dimensions Guide

## Kitchen Base Cabinet Sizes



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| <b>Standard Cabinet Height</b> | 34.5-inches (36 inches with countertop)   |
| <b>Standard Cabinet Depth</b>  | 21 or 24 inches; depth for a cabinet with a Lazy Susan is 33-inches.                                      |
| <b>Standard Cabinet Width</b>  | 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 26.25, 27, 30, 33, 26, 39 and 42-inches. Filler cabinets come in 6 and 9 inch widths. |

Standard cabinet height for base cabinets is almost invariably 34.5 inches. While that may be too low for really tall individuals who shouldn't have to stoop to use their kitchen surfaces, this base height can be easily increased by adding a countertop underlay or choosing a thicker countertop. An inch or an inch and a half can make a huge difference in cabinet size and installation.

Base cabinets are rarely more than 24 inches deep, for a good reason. Anything deeper makes items stored at the back of the cabinets almost impossible to access without pull-out fittings.

Base cabinets are the workhorses of any kitchen. They support countertops, surround, dishwasher and sinks, and allow for cutlery drawers. Base cabinets vary much more in width than in depth or height. Available in 3-inch increments, in widths that range from 9-inch to 48-inch widths. Base cabinets are the most customizable standard kitchen cabinets and will help you make the best use of the dead space in the kitchen.



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## Kitchen Wall Cabinets Sizes



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| <b>Standard Cabinet Height</b> | 30, 36, or 42-inches based on your preferences and ceiling height.                    |
| <b>Standard Cabinet Depth</b>  | 12 or 24-inches.  |
| <b>Standard Cabinet Width</b>  | 12, 15, 18, 24, 27, 30, 33, and 36-inches.<br>Filler cabinets come in 3, 6, 9-inches. |

Upper cabinet height varies based on space and aesthetics. Positioned 18 inches above countertops, choosing kitchen wall cabinets is a decision made after selecting base cabinets, countertops, and filler layers (if any).

Wall cabinets supply the kitchen equivalent of a home's exterior "curb appeal." They are easily accessorized. Glass inserts, interior lighting, contrasting fronts, and luxurious or whimsical cabinet knobs or magnetic latches are just a few ways standard wall cabinets can be customized. Some homeowners want crown moldings and display space above kitchen wall cabinets; others prefer them reaching the ceiling to neatly contain everything.

Upper cabinet heights include 12-inch, 15-inch, 18-inch, 24-inch, 30-inch, 36-inch, and 42-inch options, with shorter cabinets above fridges and stoves. Standard depths are 12, 15, 18, 24 inches, but 12 inches is the most common for regular wall cabinets storing food and dishes. This depth allows sufficient space beneath for countertops ranging from 24 to 26 inches.

Over-fridge cabinets are usually 24 inches deep, while 15- to 18-inch wall cabinets are used over microwaves. Like base cabinets, standard wall cabinets come in widths from 9 to 48 inches in 3-inch increments. However, few kitchens can accommodate 48-inch-wide cabinets.



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## Kitchen Tall Cabinet Sizes



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| <b>Standard Cabinet Height</b> | 84, 90, 96 inches.     |
| <b>Standard Cabinet Depth</b>  | 24 inches.             |
| <b>Standard Cabinet Width</b>  | 18, 24, 30, 33 inches. |

Tall pantry or utility cabinets are often the roomiest of kitchen cabinetry. Standard tall cabinets are 12 or 24 inches deep and come in 12-inch, 24-inch, or 36-inch widths. They range in height from 84 to 96 inches (with 96 inches being a floor-to-ceiling cabinet in a room with standard 8- foot ceilings),

Pantry cabinets are usually 12 inches deep, while those used as utility cabinets tend to be 24 inches to accommodate brooms, mops, vacuums, and other floor-cleaning appliances.

Narrow pantry cabinets (in a 12-inch width) with the right storage fixtures hold a surprising amount of food. However, if the homeowner wants pull-outs or storage installed on the back of the cabinet doors and inside the cabinet, 36-inch-wide tall cabinets are recommended. Most of the time, 24-inch-wide tall cabinets work well for both pantry and utility cabinets.

