



What Does a **Kitchen Designer** Add?

Expertise!

... in cabinetry design & the delicate balance between function, style, and the intricate puzzle of creating a new kitchen for each individual client.

When you remodel, each professional on your team has an important role to play, including your builder/remodeling contractor, your electrician, plumber, and for some people, an architect as well. Your Carole kitchen designer specializes in the nitty-gritty design of the kitchen space and collaborates with you, and your installer, as necessary. A great designer has experience and is 'fluent' in kitchens. **Our designers deal with kitchens all day, every day! We are your kitchen-specialists.**

As you can probably imagine, every (half!) inch matters. Our kitchen designers are professionally trained and have experience in cabinetry and countertop products and layout/design strategy to help you maximize your kitchen space in terms of appearance *and* functionality. You have literally thousands of options for cabinetry styles when you take into consideration paints, glazes, stains, and door style details. There are also many options for countertops, etc. Your kitchen designer collaborates with you to provide computer-aided design (3-dimensional layout created with software specialized for kitchen cabinetry design) which allows you to 'see' realistic-looking perspectives. He or she also visits your home to do an on-site professional measure.

Product selection within your budget is a huge piece too, and good designers offer education about the pros and cons of what's out there and how to get you the best quality for your investment, and also, to suit your personal style. For many people, the first question is "How much is a kitchen remodel going to cost?" The answer depends on a few factors. What is the size of your space? Will you change the 'footprint' of your kitchen (meaning, will you change walls? impact the electrical and plumbing? etc.)? Which cabinetry and other products do you like (for instance, the cost of wood species varies, and there are many paints, glazes, and cabinet door styles you can choose in addition to the wood you select.). What you decide to invest depends on your goals for the room and your home. What's nice is, because of the product range available, you can get great-looking, quality renovation results for a very wide scope of budgets. And you absolutely don't need to have fully-custom cabinetry built to get quality cabinetry as long as you design with a quality brand. Your designer's job is to walk you through all the options and explain the differences between choices.

In the case of Carole Kitchen and Bath Design, the demo of your original space and installation is handled by your contractor, who is in communication with your designer, as needed. If you need a kitchen remodel contractor, your kitchen designer can offer names of local professionals with whom we are familiar. If you have chosen a contractor or builder already, Carole Kitchen & Bath Design is happy to collaborate with that person/firm.

Remodeling a kitchen is a big deal for most---and a multi-step process. It's key to partner with an experienced kitchen designer and company with experience and a commitment to customer care.