



DREAM KITCHEN RENOVATION PLANNER

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Hi! I'm Randi

I wasn't always an Interior Designer who loves helping homeowners turn the house they have into the home they L.O.V.E. In fact, I started out as a teacher and then owned a quilt store where I taught women how to quilt.



But I quickly discovered that customers were turning to me for decorating advice. They wanted to know how to use the fabrics, quilts and accessories I was selling to them every day. And they were afraid to make a costly mistake they would regret later.

I could relate to how they felt because I often had those same feelings myself...and more! Afraid of what my friends might think about our home. Was it in style? Did it look good enough? To me, everyone else's home always looked better than mine.

That's when I made the decision to go back to school for Interior Design. I wanted to learn the basics, build my confidence. And I wanted to help women feel confident in the choices they make for their home.

So here I am, more than 30+ years later, and still loving what I get to do every day! Today, my business has evolved into helping homeowners design and plan the renovation of their home and lifestyle into one they love spending time in.

Personal Statement

"I believe that good design starts with knowing where you've been and where you want to be; I enjoy connecting with people and understanding their needs. As a registered interior designer I've worked with countless homeowners who were looking for help creating a comfortable and beautiful space that reflects their personality and their lifestyle. That lifestyle might be how they live today, or where they plan to be in the future.

My clients range from those who simply want a professional opinion for a few of their own choices, to those who are committed to completely redesigning, redecorating, or remodeling.

My clients want peace of mind knowing that the details are taken care of, so they can live life to its fullest."

My Kitchen Vision

My 3 Main Goals/Dreams for My New Kitchen

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

I Love This About My Kitchen

I Hate This About My Kitchen

What I Want

What I Need

“My Design Project” binder

1. Cut out pictures from design magazines of kitchens that you love
2. Using sticky notes, record what you like about the picture
3. Create tabs in a binder. Each tab should be a category such as islands, hoods, appliances, etc.
4. Create an online Idea Book using Houzz and Pinterest

Every Kitchen Begins with a Plan

- ✓ **Measure your kitchen in inches**
Start at one corner and measure to the next corner.
Doors and windows are measured from outside trim to outside trim.
- ✓ **Draw your kitchen to scale on graph paper**
Begin with where your sink will be placed, then add your appliance locations.
Use your Wants and Needs lists as a guide.
Or... contact your local cabinet showroom or designer to help you
- ✓ **Decide the style and colors for your kitchen**
Paint colors
Cabinet door style, wood species, and finish
- ✓ **Make no purchases until the floor plan is finished and you have a contractor.**
- ✓ **Once final decisions are made, remember that change orders cost money.**

Kitchen Products to Consider

APPLIANCES

REFRIGERATOR
DISHWASHER
MICROWAVE
COOKTOP OR RANGE
HOOD/VENTILATION
OVEN – SINGLE OR DOUBLE
WARMING DRAWER
STEAM OVEN
ICE MAKER
WINE REFRIGERATOR
TRASH COMPACTOR
BUILT IN COFFEE MAKER

LIGHTING

PENDANT LIGHTING
RECESSED CANS
UNDER CABINET LIGHTS
CABINET LIGHTING
COVE LIGHTING

PLUMBING

KITCHEN SINK
PREP SINK
BAR SINK
FAUCETS FOR EACH SINK
DISPOSER
POT FILLER
SOAP DISPENSER
HOT WATER DISPENSER
WATER FILTRATION

COUNTERTOPS

GRANITE
SOLID SURFACE (QUARTZ, ETC.)
LAMINATE – WILSONART, FORMICA

FLOORING

WOOD, TILE, OR BAMBOO

BACKSPLASH

TILE
ACCENT TILE

How to Make A Realistic Project Budget

Keeping a tight grip on your budget and knowing what you're spending is one of the most difficult parts of your Kitchen Renovation. The easiest, and most efficient way is to create an Excel spreadsheet so that you can keep a running total of costs. When you set it up using the Kitchen Product List I've given you, this will keep things simple and organized. Here's an example:

	MODEL #	DESCRIPTION	COLOR/FINISH	MANUFACTURER	WHERE FOUND	PRICE
APPLIANCES						
refrigerator		36" x 72"	Stainless	KitchenAid	Home Depot	\$2500
dishwasher						
oven						
cooktop						
hood						
icemaker						

When your spreadsheet is set up by categories, you always know what you spend per category. This system can also be used as a Product Research Sheet when you're looking at many different manufacturers and showrooms.

When you choose wisely, even a small change in your home can make a huge difference in how you feel when you're there. -Alison Marks

PREPARING FOR CONSTRUCTION

- ✓ Clean out your cabinets and pantry
- ✓ Prepare a plastic bin with items you'll need daily so you have quick access
- ✓ Decide where and how you'll be eating for the next few weeks (grilling? restaurants?)
- ✓ How will you get to water for prepping food and washing dishes?
- ✓ Determine where your family's "command central" will be during construction
- ✓ Construction is loud, dusty, and chaotic at times. Take time away just for yourself!