

What to Expect from Your Cabinets



Wood Characteristics

Every cabinet constructed of wood is one-of-a-kind and will feature the naturally occurring variations that are inherent in wood products.

Common attributes of wood that contribute to its beauty include:

- Variations in color, grain and texture that may be enhanced by the selected stain
- Mineral streaks, knots and worm tracks that occur with the growth of the tree
- Tonal color differences within and between cabinets
- Subtle changes in color as wood ages



Painted Finishes

Painted finishes are enjoying their place at the top of the trend list and offer characteristics that differ from stained products. Learn more about the unique beauty of painted cabinetry:

- MDF center panels offer a smooth finish for accepting paint and are used on flat panel doors due to their resistance to expansion, contraction and warping.
- The texture of natural grain patterns often remains visible with painted finishes.
- Environmental conditions, including seasonal changes and humidity variation, will cause changes to wood products and should be expected. Results can include hairline cracks at style and rail joints as well as center panel movement.

All of these characteristics are typical of painted finishes and should be anticipated. These aspects will not be considered as justification for replacement.



PureStyle™

PureStyle is the new generation of laminated cabinetry bridging the gap between thermofoil and painted wood. More stable than wood based products, PureStyle doesn't expand or contract with changing environmental conditions. It mimics the beauty of a painted surface, while displaying the durability of laminate.

In addition to a uniform appearance, PureStyle cabinetry offers:

- The trend-forward look of paint with better resistance to scratching, fading, dents and surface water
- Stable color that does not change over time or when subjected to environmental conditions

The Admiral PureStyle finish features a protective topcoat providing additional resistance to scuffs and scratches, which can be more obvious on a dark color such as Admiral. This protective topcoat creates a finish texture different than our other PureStyle finishes. Be sure to see and touch a cabinet featuring the Admiral PureStyle finish before your purchase to understand the textural differences, touch up limitations, and cleaning and care requirements.





Toasted Colada and Silver Lining PureStyle™ Finishes

When ordered in either the Toasted Colada or Silver Lining PureStyle finishes, the profile details of the Dana and Durham door styles will be highlighted by the appearance of a "pen-like" glaze, which does not change the overall finish color on the remainder of the door and drawer front.

Humidification

Controlling indoor humidity to a range of 30-55% when outdoor temperatures fall between 50-85 degrees keeps wood cabinetry looking and performing its best throughout the year.

Uncontrolled humidity extremes can cause problems within the home, particularly with cabinetry and wood furniture. This can result in swollen cabinet joints in coastal or other areas that see 70-80% indoor humidity and door center panel shrinkage in areas experiencing relative humidity below 20%.

These reactions to humidity are not due to a cabinetry defect. Adjusting door hinges may give swollen or contracted doors a better appearance until acclimation occurs within the home.

Keep In Mind

- Different types of wood species may react differently to humidity.
- Some expansion or contraction of wood products can occur and become noticeable when cabinetry is moved from place to place or when weather conditions change, causing humidity to fluctuate.

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