

Reface or Replace?

That is the question many homeowners face when planning upgrades for their homes.

Refacing your kitchen or bathroom cabinets is an easy and affordable way to make what's old new again. Is cabinet refacing for you?

HERE ARE THE **TOP 10 THINGS** TO KNOW ABOUT **CABINET REFACING**



1. What is cabinet refacing?

Cabinet refacing means you are leaving the existing structure of your cabinets intact while replacing the doors and drawers. This allows you to transform your kitchen or bathroom without completely removing your cabinets or changing any layouts. When refacing your cabinets, you will be getting new cabinet door fronts, frame fronts, and lower toe-kick fronts.

2. How affordable is cabinet refacing?

You can achieve a high-impact result at an affordable rate. Homeowners can save thousands of dollars by refacing cabinets instead of replacing them. Give your kitchen or bathroom a fast upgrade without the costs associated with new cabinets. Cost savings can be upward of 35 percent the cost of new cabinets. At Cornerstone Builders of SWFL, we are transparent about our cabinet refacing pricing. Thermofoil refacing starts at \$3820* and wood refacing starts at \$7820*, both include up to 15 doors and 5 drawer fronts. (*terms apply and can be found at www.cornerstonebuildersswfl.com)

3. Is cabinet refacing for me?

When thinking about refacing versus replacing, the quality and age of your existing cabinets should be taken into consideration. If the structure of your existing cabinets are structurally sound and in decent condition (no mold or warping), you may benefit from refacing. If you are looking for more counter space or a completely new layout, you will benefit from replacing instead of refacing.

4. Are there **multiple materials** to choose from?

With cabinet refacing, you are getting new door fronts. That means you can choose your color, style, and material -- just as you would if you were replacing your cabinets. Thermofoil and wood both create high-quality cabinets with a sleek finish. From maple and cherry to mahogany and oak, there is something for every style and budget.

5. What are some **other options** to do when you're refacing?

While you're refacing your cabinets, consider upgrading the inside as well! Adding rotating shelves or pull-out drawers is a way to increase your functionality without a major undertaking. New pulls and knobs can also upgrade your refaced cabinets with some extra style and personality. This is also a great time to upgrade your countertops to complete your new look. If you are replacing your countertops, Cornerstone Builders of SWFL has licensed plumbers on staff to take care of your faucets and other needs.



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6. What are some pros of **Thermofoil and wood**?

In the Southwest Florida humidity, it's good to know that Thermofoil cabinets will stand up well! If cabinets get scratches over time, wood is going to be easier than Thermofoil to repair. Another pro for Thermofoil: It's more affordable than wood! Our design experts can help answer any questions and make sure you get the right cabinets for your needs to transform your kitchen.

7. Can refacing **increase the value** of your home?

It's no secret that homebuyers look for kitchens that are well maintained and appealing. In addition to looking more modern, cabinets that are refaced can last just as long as new cabinets. Homes always increase when noticeable upgrades are made, especially in the kitchen. Kitchens are so valuable because they are one of the most used rooms in the home. High-quality cabinet refacing can be attractive for potential buyers and help increase your home's resale value, even with a modest investment.

8. How fast is the process?

Cabinet refacing is quicker (and less messy) than completely replacing your cabinets. Most kitchens take 1 to 3 days to complete. While the length of the project will be determined by the number of your cabinets, the existing cabinets will not be removed from the walls, so the process is efficient. The cabinet door fronts are crafted outside of the home, so there's no prolonged exposure to sawdust, stains (if applicable), other materials, and noise. There are also no permits to worry about, saving time and money. So that kitchen and bathroom remodel that you've been putting off for years? You can get that started quickly and affordably by refacing your cabinets.

9. Hire a professional? Definitely.

Many homeowners try to reface their own cabinets; however, hiring an experienced company can save a lot of headaches, money, and time. Cabinet refacing requires cutting and measuring wood for a precise fit, making it flush with the existing structure. Tools, materials, carpentry expertise, and design skills will make a difference with your project.

10. Is there a warranty?

Cornerstone Builders of SWFL provides a lifetime warranty on any materials we manufacture for as long as you own your home.



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