

Kitchens & bathrooms TREND REPORT

Check out our definitive guide to what's hot in design, layout, and finishing touches for these key rooms

Planning a new kitchen or bathroom is really exciting, with so much innovation and great design to choose from. Dark colours are big news across both rooms, as are millennial pink (blush) and dramatic metallic finishes like brass, copper and burnished gold. Storage and display are the new heroes of these spaces, with built-in pantries, clever islands, and twin vanity units.

We've chosen the design trends for each that we feel have longevity – after all, kitchen and bathroom renovations are expensive, time-consuming projects. We believe that you should love using your new space for many years to come, while still being a fan of its look and feel. We've given advice on adding design details, too – you might want to consider one or more when planning your new space, to help make it individual to you.

MODERN FEEL

Sleek cupboards, drawers, and surfaces in a dark grey finish give this design a contemporary edge. *Kitchen, from a selection, Easylife Kitchens*

Warm grey

Still huge in interiors, grey is transforming once light, minimal kitchen designs into chic, dramatic spaces that look fantastic. You can choose a paler shade, but if you're going to go dark, it's better to be brave; too much variation in the colours can create a confused space. It's easy to assume that a small room with little natural light can't handle a dark shade, but they actually work well together and create real impact.



A wrap-around splashback in varying shades of grey makes the kitchen space seem bigger