



# KITCHEN ISLAND WITH WINE COOLER

In this design, they decided to accentuate the island and make it a focal point of the kitchen by using a different color cabinet. They also came up with a creative way to incorporate a wine cooler into the design, without taking up valuable space along the wall where the appliances would traditionally go. A very simple design that allows flexibility in terms of what you put in the island and how big you want to make it.

For the example below, we created a 30" wide by 48" long island.

## Supplies You Will Need from the RTA Cabinet Store

- ✓ One 30" Base Cabinet or 30" Three Drawer Base Cabinet
- ✓ Two dishwasher end panels
- ✓ Two island panels
- ✓ One 2 x 4 from local supply store
- ✓ Four 3" L brackets with screws from the local supply store
- ✓ Two 8 ft pieces of toe kick
- ✓ Optional: Four decorative base end panels



## Instructions to Build Kitchen Island with Wine Cooler

- Step 1: Secure 30" base cabinet in place and mark out lines for the wine cooler. On the floor, mark another 24" straight back from the back of the base cabinet on each side, with a straight line across (30") where the dishwasher end panels will finish
- Step 2: Cut two pieces out of the 2 x 4 that are 34" long. On the back of the base cabinet, measure in ½" on both sides of the cabinet, and secure a piece of 2x4 on each side (this is to be able to secure the dishwasher end panels to in the back).
- Step 3: Secure the dishwasher end panels to the 2x4 studs that were secured to the back of the base cabinet. The face frames of the dishwasher end panels should line up with the lines that you drew on the floor in step 1. On the face frame or trim piece of the dishwasher end panel, attach an L-bracket to the back of it, and secure that to the floor to create some stability. Do this for both sides (the other two L-brackets will be used to secure the end panels to your countertop. If you are installing granite, you will have to ask your installer to do this for you).
- Step 4: Once the dishwasher end panels are secured, take the island panels and attach them to the sides to cover up the seam and bring the sides flush with the face frames at each end.
- Step 5: Cut the 8 ft length of toe kick in half and attach to each side of the island. For the end with the wine cooler, cut two small pieces to finish off the end. For the end with the base cabinet, you have two options:
1. Keep the toe kick the way it is
  2. Build a 2.5" by 30" platform out of 2x4 to build out the bottom of the base cabinet. By doing this, you will be able to attach the new toe kick, and square off the island.
- Step 6: The decorative doors are always optional, but add a custom look to anything you apply them to. If you decide to you use them, attach two doors to each side, and you will have a completely custom kitchen island with wine cooler.

## My Design Notes