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HOMEOWNER GUIDE
METRO VANCOUVER, BC

Paint vs Replace Your Cabinets

Not sure if your kitchen needs paint, new doors or a full tear-out? This guide walks you through the three options so you can pick the one that fits your cabinets, your timeline and your budget.

1 Start with one question: are the boxes solid?

The cabinet boxes are the frames that hold everything up. If they are sound, you have options.

Signs the boxes are solid

- Shelves sit level and do not sag.
- No soft, swollen or flaking spots, even under the sink.
- Doors hang straight when the hinges are snug.
- You like the layout and where things are.

Signs it may be time to replace

- Water damage that has swollen the boxes.
- You want to move walls, plumbing or appliances.
- You need a different layout or more cabinets.
- The boxes are broken or falling apart.

2 Your three options, side by side

	PAINT AND REFINISH	NEW DOORS AND FRONTS	FULL REPLACEMENT
What changes	Colour and finish	Doors, drawer fronts and colour	Everything
Cabinet boxes	Stay, painted	Stay, painted or stained to match	Torn out, new boxes
Countertops	Stay	Stay	Often replaced
Time in your home	About 5 days	Door lead time, then about 5 days	Longer, often with plumbing and counter work
Best when	Boxes and doors are solid, colour is dated	Boxes are solid, doors are worn or out of style	Boxes are damaged or the layout must change
Who does it	Oriah in-house crews	Oriah in-house crews	A kitchen renovator

Oriah does painting, refinishing and door and drawer front replacement. We do not build new cabinet boxes or change layouts.

3 What our cabinet painting includes

DAY 1
Label and prep
Doors and drawers labelled, degreased and removed. Counters and floors masked.

DAY 2
Surface prep
Sanding and adhesion testing on doors and casings.

DAY 3
Double prime
Two coats of bonding primer, sanded between coats.

DAY 4
Double topcoat
Two topcoats sprayed with HVLP equipment.

DAY 5
Install
Doors back on and a walkthrough with you.

4 Quick decision checklist

Choose paint and refinish if...

- [ ] Your doors are in good shape.
- [ ] You like the door style, just not the colour.
- [ ] You want the fastest refresh with the least mess.

Choose new doors and fronts if...

- [ ] Doors are chipped, warped or peeling.
- [ ] You want a new style, like a flatter, modern look.
- [ ] The boxes are still solid.

5 Why homeowners choose Oriah

- ✓ **In-house crews** on every job.
- ✓ **4-coat system:** 2 bonding primer + 2 topcoats.
- ✓ **Premium coatings:** Renner, Benjamin Moore, Sherwin-Williams, Minwax.
- ✓ **Clear written quote** with three finish options.
- ✓ **Included 2-year** workmanship warranty.
- ✓ **Card payments accepted.** Financeit plans for qualified clients.

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