



# How to:

# PAINT YOUR KITCHEN BACKSPLASH

Directions: Looking to update your backsplash? Not ready to commit or don't have the funds for a full reno? I got you! Below is a quick reference guide for transforming your backsplash with only paint and a little bit of time.

## SUPPLIES:

- Painters Tape
- Contractors Kraft Paper//Newspaper//Plastic to cover your counters
- Primer (consult a professional at local paint store for your specific material of tile)
- Two-Inch Angle Brush
- Small Roller if your tile is larger
- Hand-Held Paint Pail
- Paint - Semi-Gloss or Satin recommended
- Damp rag for wiping spills
- Optional: Clear Matte Sealer*

## TIME:

This whole process will take at least a day or two due to drying times between your coats of paint. Be patient. Dry time is crucial to letting the paint set and adhere to the tile.

PAINT TIP: Wrap your brushes in plastic grocery bags and stick them in the refrigerator between coats

## STEPS:

- 1.) Remove outlet covers and tape screws to back. Set aside.
- 2.) Wipe down your backsplash with soap and hot water
- 3.) Tape off and prep your space once tile is dry (cover counter, tape off cabinets)
- 4.) Paint on Primer -
  - Use 2" Brush for Grout and Roller on larger tile if needed.
  - Long smooth strokes and check back to make sure you don't have any drips
  - Give 24 hours of drying time if you have shiny or glass tile
  - May need to do 2 coats of primer if covering darker color
- 5.) Apply Paint
  - Use same method above to apply your color of choice
  - Semi-gloss or Satin Oil-Based Paint is recommended for durability and wipeability
  - Estimate needing to do approximately 2-3 coats. Careful of overdoing it, paint gets tacky during dry time. I do come back and check for drips after tacky period is over.
- \*6.) *Clear matte sealer (I never did this step, but may be needed for other types of paint)*