10 budget-friendly tips

to add luxury to your kitchen or bath

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Everyone wishes a guest would walk into their home, turn around wide-eyed and whisper, "Wow! This place is amazing!" Your home may not be there quite yet, but it can happen. You can even get started today, with any (tiny) budget you have.

Here are our top ten tips for adding high-end updates to your kitchen or bath – on a budget. Take these first steps, and you'll get a taste for the fun of creating spaces that catch attention and spark conversation.

- Walk through your home with the eyes of a guest. What areas stand out? Which are used most frequently? Focus your spending there to make the biggest impact.
- 2 Know what's in style. Brass is on its way out, as are matchy-matchy interiors. To add a bit of luxury to your home, consider adding decorative pieces and details like knobs and pulls in contrasting materials and textures (think brushed nickel with ceramic or reclaimed wood and wrought iron).
- What can you DIY? All new custom cabinets may be a someday-dream, but what can you do right now? Consider painting your cabinets a fresh color, and adding new hardware that reflects your personal style.
- Think materials. Crystal is a bit pricey but is durable. However, acrylic can look downright classy for a much more budget-friendly price tag (plus you won't cringe any time sticky little fingers grab hold).
- Prioritize. If you have more than one bath, focus upgrades on the one that is most easily accessible to guests.





- Details, details, details. A single front door handle set can make a huge impression. As can a distinctive entryway table, or a brightly-hued front door. Consider all of the areas your money could be spent in your home, and then decide where it would make the most impact.
- 7 She doesn't like this one at all so we need one more tip.
- Be social. Know that you just need to have that granite countertop (that you can't afford), or the high-end brand crystal chandelier? Tell your friends and family what you're looking for, and ask them to keep an eye out for you. Maybe someone will spot a great discount, or an estate sale with that exact item. You never know!
- PLean on the professionals. Even if your budget seems too meager to hire an interior designer, consider it anyway. If you can find someone who's willing to work within your constraints, they can help you create a plan for upgrades as your budget allows, and strategize about how best to spend what you do have. Professional advice and expertise can provide exponential value.
- Have fun with it! Many home updates can easily be changed. So try that funky purple color on your wall. Experiment with displaying mismatched bowls from a flea market. And swap out the old towel hooks in the bath for DIY fork hooks. If it doesn't work, you can change it.

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Creating budget-friendly luxury is truly about intentional design: crafting a space that reflects your personality and style, keeping it clutter-free to allow that style to shine through, and putting time and effort into creating a home where you and your guests feel comfortable.

For more personalized advice on creating high-end home updates on a budget, the professional design staff at Davis Sales are ready to help you.

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