

Custom Home Bar Design Guide

Map your exact layout footprint and build seamless entertaining zones.

Establish your physical boundaries early to ensure your new entertaining space harmonizes perfectly with existing traffic patterns. Use these baseline dimensions before ordering cabinetry.

● Bar Dimension Cheat Sheet

42 in

sightline shield outer counter

36 in

lower wet prep & host aisle

30 in

raised bar stool seat

24 in

base cabinet depth & prep stool

18 in

waste bin cabinet & table stool

12-14 in

display shelf vertical clearance

10 in

guest knee space overhang

7-9 in

footrest drop below seat height

Tape it out first

Map your layout footprint on the floor with painter's tape before ordering materials. This reveals how the structure affects your room's energetic flow.



● Match Your Room Style

Find your row: **Your room setting**

Your room setting	Your pick	Why
Moody basement speakeasy	Dark walnut finishes	intimate, hidden-away vibe
Bright coastal dining	White oak cabinetry	relaxed, breezy feel
Modern minimalist room	Matte black surfaces	blends seamlessly
Glamorous art deco	Antique mirrored backsplash	visually doubles the room
Rustic outdoor patio	Durable soapstone counters	withstands the elements

● Pro Layout Secrets

- 1

Hide the prep mess The raised outer ledge acts as a visual barrier, keeping the entertaining atmosphere pristine while you work.
- 2

Waterproof the spill zone Apply a continuous bead of clear, mold-resistant silicone exactly where the ledge meets the prep wall.
- 3

Optimize the workflow Place your primary glass-front beverage cooler immediately to the right of the prep sink for efficiency.
- 4

Illuminate the display Install a diffused LED channel behind the front lip of glass shelves for a continuous, warm glow.
- 5

Organize the mixology Use adjustable bamboo dividers in the top drawer nearest the sink for rapid, blind tool retrieval.

● Pre-Build Checks

- Verify the swing clearance needed for deep stool backrests.
- Account for decorative bracket depth under the counter overhang.
- Locate structural studs for mounting heavy-duty shelf brackets safely.
- Plan electrical routing to conceal low-voltage transformers inside base cabinets.
- Check flooring for a slip-resistant texture to ensure safe movement.

● Project Notes

Here is to designing a beautiful, effortless space for your next great gathering!