

The Green Cabinet Paint Order

Your step-by-step sequence for a flawless, durable green kitchen finish.

Transforming your kitchen with perfectly painted green cabinets is entirely doable when you follow the right roadmap. Use this exact sequence to secure a flawless, glass-like finish that lasts.

● Key Cabinet Specs

Medium gray (P-4)

Primer tint for dark greens

45 or higher

Min LRV for back panels

2700K

LED temp beneath upper cabinets

220-grit

Paper for grain-filled oak faces

Outer edges & profiles

Brush first before rolling faces

1 prime, 2 enamel

Coat count for lasting coverage

Avoid the Chalky Look

Standard white primer makes dark green paint look chalky. Using a medium gray primer transforms the final depth and saves you from applying unnecessary extra topcoats.



● The Cabinet Paint Order

- 1 Prep & Fill Grain** Dismantle doors, degrease completely, apply wood filler with a squeegee, and wait 24 hours.
- 2 Prime & Wait** Apply primer with a foam roller and angled brush. Let dry for 4 hours.
- 3 Scuff Sand** Lightly scuff all surfaces with a 320-grit sanding sponge. Vacuum and wipe clean.
- 4 Coat 1: Edges First** Paint recessed profiles and borders, then roll flat panels. Wait 4 to 6 hours.
- 5 Coat 2 & Cure** Apply the final thin topcoat. Wait 5 to 7 days before rehanging doors.

● Adapt to Your Cabinets

Find your row: **Your cabinet type**

Your cabinet type	Your pick	Why
Dark green topcoat	Use a tinted primer	Prevents a chalky, uneven finish
Glass-front displays	Go 2-3 shades lighter	Keeps the display space bright
Deep open wood grain	Apply plastic squeegee filler	Blocks texture from showing through
Shaker-style doors	Center hardware on stiles	Highlights clean, geometric lines

● Check Before You Paint

- ☐ Test that under-cabinet lighting is warm, avoiding sterile 4000K daylight bulbs.
- ☐ Confirm you have high-density foam rollers and angled nylon brushes.
- ☐ Ensure you have clear silicone or soft felt bumpers for doors.
- ☐ Locate adjustment screws on hidden hinges to realign gaps later.

● Project Notes & Paint Colors

Enjoy your beautifully transformed kitchen and the rich, welcoming warmth of your new cabinets!