

Green Paint & Hardware Pairing Guide

Transform your kitchen on a paint-only budget with perfect finishes.

Achieve a flawless, durable finish with the right prep and topcoats. Use this cheat sheet to perfectly match your green cabinets with beautiful hardware.

● Key Materials & Times

Light gray

Tint primer for sage topcoats

1 jig

Drill jig aligns identical drawer pulls

2 coats

Durable satin enamel for daily wear

3 coats

Matte poly seals raw oak wood

24 hours

Recoat time for first enamel layer

21 days

Full cure time for final enamel

Prep Doors Flat

Never paint cabinet doors while hanging. Lay them flat to prevent drips, and place every hinge in numbered bags for stress-free reassembly.



● Hardware Pairing Cheat Sheet

Find your row: **Your green paint tone**

Your green paint tone	Your pick	Why
Sage green	Aged brass	Warm tone without looking yellow
Olive green	Matte black	Grounds space with modern edge
Mint beadboard	Polished nickel	Creates soft coastal shine
Forest green	Unlacquered brass	Moody and historic feel
Hunter green	Leather pulls	Relaxed, tactile bohemian vibe

● Flawless Cabinet Painting

- 1

Degrease and rinse Scrub with a TSP substitute to cut oils, then wipe with clean water.
- 2

Scuff and dust Lightly rough the clear coat with 150-grit paper, vacuum, and wipe with a tack cloth.
- 3

Fill and prime Overfill old hardware holes with two-part wood epoxy, sand flush, and apply tinted primer.
- 4

Paint and sand Apply satin enamel, wait 24 hours, and sand with 220-grit paper before the final coat.
- 5

Drill and mount Use a brad-point bit to prevent scratching when installing your new cup pulls or knobs.

● Check Before You Start

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Verify drill jig measurements match your specific aged brass pulls.
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Confirm two-part wood epoxy is completely hard before sanding flush.
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Ensure heavy plates stack directly over hidden steel support brackets.
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Check that primer is completely dry before applying color coats.

● Project Notes & Measurements

Enjoy your beautifully refreshed, custom green kitchen on a budget!