Backdrop Paint Order Guide

This guide covers how to measure your cabinet doors to determine the amount of paint you'll need for your project.

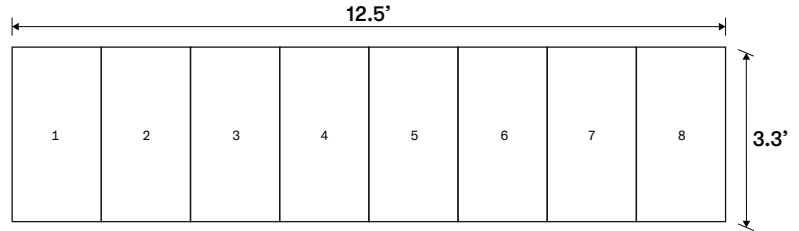## Start by measuring the length of your cabinet runs and record the lengths of each section.
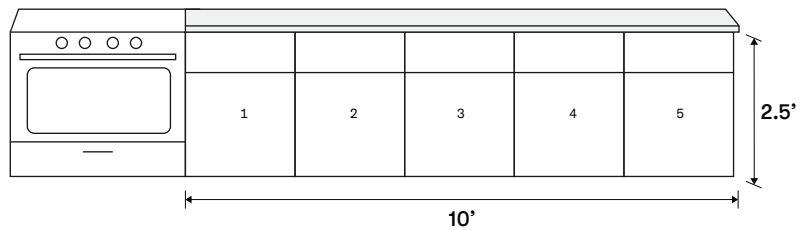
If you are installing a new kitchen, you should already have these dimensions in your floor plans.

PLEASE NOTE:
When measuring your doors, there is no need to calculate the dimensions of your drawers separately. In this example, the 2.5' height includes the full height of both the doors drawers together, and the measurement of the full cabinet run length also accounts for drawers.

In the example provided, this kitchen has a 10' run of lowers and a 12.5' run of uppers.

Lower Cabinets

1	Calculate the total height of the lower run of cabinets. Multiply the 2.5' height of the door by the total number of doors in that run. There are 5 in this example.	**2.5' x 5 doors = 12.5'** For the total height of the doors
2	Multiply that height by the 10' length of run (excluding the width of any appliances).	**12.5' x 10' = 125 sqft**
3	Multiply that by 2, since you'll be painting both the fronts and backs of the doors.	**125 sqft x 2 sides = 250 sqft**

Upper Cabinets

4	Move on to the upper cabinets. This example has a run of 12.5' in length. Typically, upper cabinets are between 30-40 inches, this example uses 40" upper cabinet doors. Measure one of your upper doors and record the height for your calculations. (3.3' for this example).	**3.3'** Height of one door
5	Multiply the 3.3' height of the door by the total number of doors in that run. There are 8 in this example.	**3.3' x 8 doors = 26.4'** For the total height of the doors
6	Multiply that height by the 12.5' length of run.	**26.4' x 12.5' = 330 sqft**
7	Multiply that by 2, since you'll be painting both the fronts and backs of the doors.	**330 sqft x 2 sides = 660 sqft**

Total

8	Take all of the final square footage from each of your runs and add them together.	**250 sqft + 660 sqft = 910 sqft**
9	Each gallon of Backdrop paint covers 400 sqft. In this case you would round up and purchase 2 gallons and (1) ½ gallon of paint for your project. You will also need to purchase 3 gallons of primer (as these are only available in gallons).	**910 sqft ÷ 400 sqft = 2.2 gallons**

2.5 gallons of paint

3 gallons of primer

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