

Creating a Backsplash

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QUESTION



I would like to create a backsplash behind my base cabinets. How can I create this in Home Designer?



ANSWER

Creating a backsplash that goes up a wall can be accomplished by adjusting the Backsplash setting in the cabinet specification or cabinet defaults, or by using the Custom Backsplash tool in Home Designer Architectural and Home Designer Pro.

To create a backsplash using base cabinets

1. Using the **Select Objects**  tool, select the cabinets you'd like to add a backsplash to, and click on the **Open Object**  edit tool.

You may want to make the following adjustments in your Base Cabinet Defaults so that the backsplash settings apply to all base cabinets that are created going forward.

2. In the **Base Cabinet Specification** or the **Base Cabinet Defaults** dialog that displays:

Base Cabinet Specification

General

Front
Door/Drawer
Moldings
Materials
Label

Cabinet Style
Type: Standard

Size/Position
Width: 24"
Height: 36" Including Countertop
Depth: 24"
Elevation Reference: From Floor
Floor to Top: 36"
Floor to Bottom: 0"

Countertop
Thickness: 1 1/2"
Overhang: 1" Uniform
Front Back Left Right

Backsplash
Height: 12"
Thickness: 1/2"
Options: Side Always Present

- o On the **GENERAL** panel, set the Backsplash **Height** and **Thickness** to your desired

values.


Note: Check the Side box to add the backsplash to the side of the cabinet if it is against a wall or a taller cabinet.

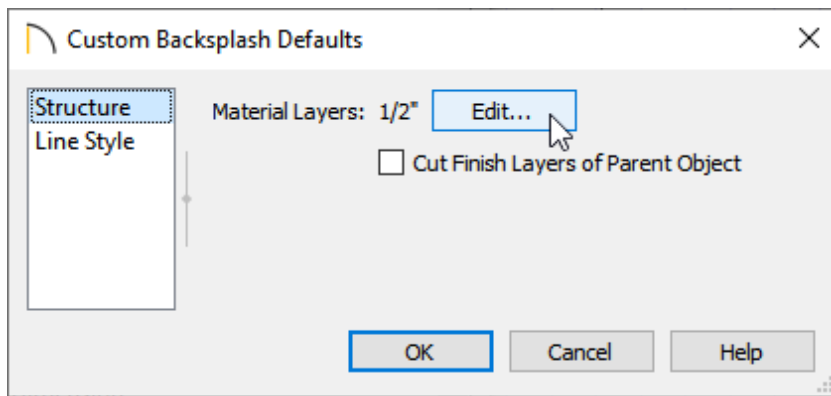
Check the Always Present box to display the backsplash at all times. If unchecked, a backsplash is present only when the cabinet is against a wall.

- On the **MATERIALS** panel, select the **Backsplash** component and change its material to your liking.
3. Once you have completed making changes in this dialog, click **OK** and if necessary, click **Done**.


To create a custom backsplash*


*Applies to Home Designer Architectural and Home Designer Pro only.


1. Select **Edit> Default Settings**  from the menu.
2. In the **Default Settings** dialog, expand the **Cabinets** category, select the **Custom Backsplash** option, then click **Edit**.
3. On the **STRUCTURE** panel of the **Custom Backsplash Defaults** that displays, select the **Edit** button beside Material Layers to adjust the material and the thickness of the backsplash to your liking.

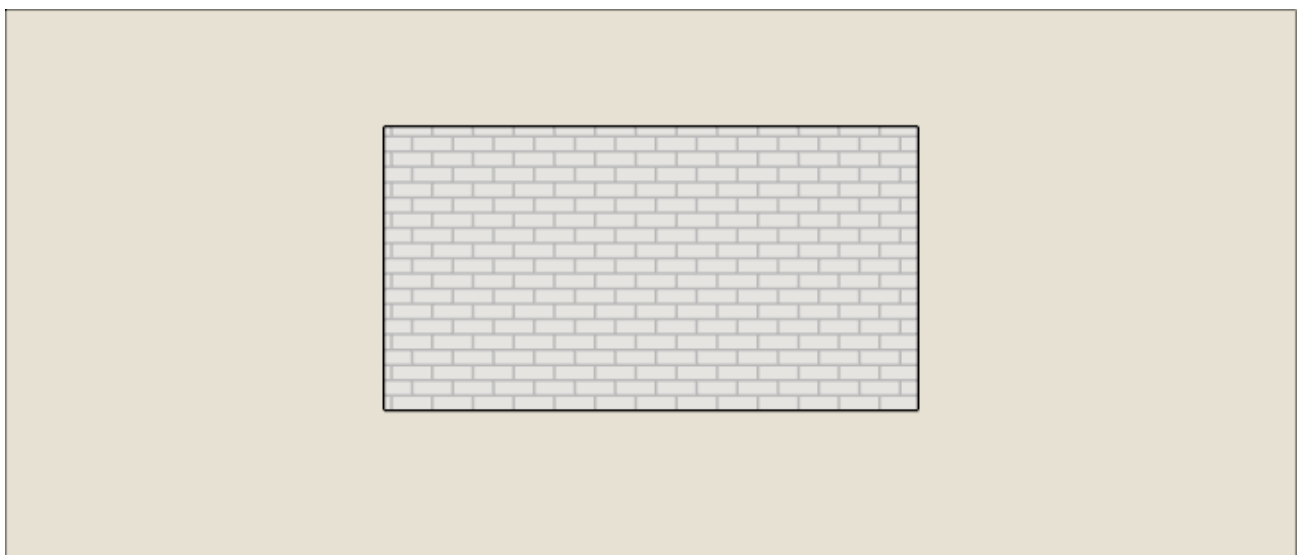



4. Click **OK** and **Done** to close the dialogs once your desired changes have been made.

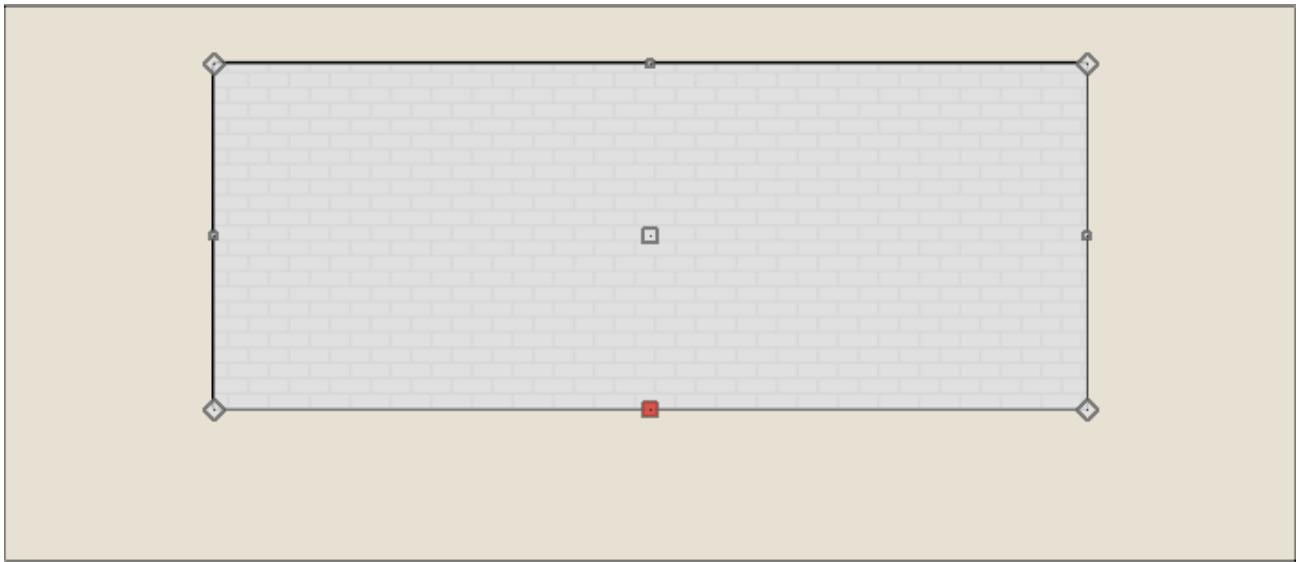
5. Next, select **3D> Create Camera View> Elevation** , and click and drag a camera view towards the desired wall(s) you want to create a backsplash on.

In Home Designer Pro, navigate to **3D> Create Orthographic View> Cross Section/Elevation**  instead.

6. With the view open, navigate to **Build> Cabinet> Custom Backsplash**  from the menu, then click and drag in your desired location to create the backsplash on the wall.



7. Using the **Select Objects**  tool, click on the backsplash to select it and use the edit handles to reshape and resize the backsplash to suit your needs.



Note: You can use the Break Line edit tool when the backsplash is selected to place break points along a desired edge. This will provide greater flexibility for adjusting the shape of the backsplash.

Related Articles

[📄 Removing a Cabinet's Backsplash \(/support/article/KB-00989/removing-a-cabinet-s-backsplash.html\)](https://support/article/KB-00989/removing-a-cabinet-s-backsplash.html)



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