

AKB NEWS



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News Updates

- ◆ For this Fall Newsletter we are going to focus on what is consistent and trending in bath and kitchen remodels for 2018/2019. Farmhouse as well as transitional kitchens are leading the market as well as hot new styles of tuxedo kitchens (using different color cabinet combinations). For bathrooms, removing large, rarely used garden tubs and opting for spacious walk-in spa showers that exude function and luxury.
- ◆ Quartz countertops as well as counters with recycled glass are topping the list. Heated bathroom floor and shower floors and updated features for Universal Design for customers who want to age in place, are growing in popularity.
- ◆ We have researched the top design trends with Houzz, Home Advisor, articles through the National Association of the Remodeling Industry and our own local remodeling and design experts to bring you up-to-date information about the latest design trends.

Atlantic Kitchen & Bath specializes in custom kitchen and bath designs as well as renovations, sunrooms, closet systems, outdoor kitchens and any type of remodeling, additions or restoration needs. Call us today at 302.645.8500 to schedule an appointment or look us up on the web at www.AtlanticKB.com

We can design and build anything for you!

Larger Bathrooms Trending / Industry Outlook— 2018

As far as for 2018 remodels, we are seeing a lot of modern and lifestyle features being added to standard builder grade bathrooms. Radiant heat flooring is becoming a standard request for bath remodeling. Larger showers with multiple shower heads, steam showers, spa showers and more expensive frameless glass enclosures, once restricted to higher end projects, are now being seen more often in moderately priced homes.

Built-in and furniture styles vanities are very popular. The #1 countertop choice is quartz because of style and ease of maintenance. Homeowners want owner's bathrooms that emanate function and luxury while guest baths will be purely functional with timeless looks.

Most owner's suite bathrooms feature larger showers, linen closets/towers, double vanities and even ceramic tiles with decorative features up the walls. Read more on the next page about showers!

At Atlantic Kitchen & Bath we listen to our customers.

We offer high quality design/build services and we

stay informed of the latest styles, latest technology and changes to the market place. Give us a call and not only will you be happy with the results but you will enjoy the journey getting there. 302.645.8500



Time for a new bathroom!

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In Style – Opting for a Larger Shower

HomeAdvisor 2018

Changing a garden tub or tub/shower out for a larger shower or even a walk-in can be more involved than most people realize. Remodeling your shower is a little more involved, but it can have a bigger effect. Tiles can be used on the walls, floor, and ceiling, making it feel like a separate room and there are a lot more options now with showers

you can consider, (i.e. steam showers, spa showers, up-graded tile patterns with accent strip, wall niches, built in benches, heated shower floors) and much more. Of course, the price range for these options vary. Fixtures can be upgraded and the styles are numerous. Besides various finishes, the showerheads themselves have many features available. This includes removable massage showerheads and programmable units. You can also have multi-spray jets or rain shower heads.

A “walk-in” shower is great for aging in place or for handicap design and pricing is higher to install these because a different pan has to be used at the bottom of the shower so it is slightly sloped which will allow the water to drain properly. You also have to use a different type of shower door (either roller doors or swing out) which will need to be seamless (without tracks).



A professionally installed, shower enclosure would normally average \$2,500- \$3,500 depending on complexity, size, and the type of tile and fixtures you choose. Add another \$1,000 to **\$2,500** for tear-out of existing tub or shower, new plumbing pipes, fixtures, and any custom carpentry and changes in flooring. Then there are additional costs for shower doors.

So, summing up the costs involved, a complete, professional remodel to remove a tub and install a shower or enlarge the existing shower with electrical, plumbing, tile work and shower doors can range from around **\$5,000-\$10,000+** depending on the types and finishes and options selected for the job. Home Advisor recommends hiring a design/build professional to help you with this type of project. This job may prove to be very difficult for even a seasoned DIY homeowner. Let Atlantic Kitchen & Bath design and build your resort/spa bathroom. Give us a call to meet with our Design Manager and experience total satisfaction from start to finish.



Come and see our lovely lineup of quartz countertop products, Beautiful new designs that now offer matte finishes! Quartz has been voted the #1 performing countertop material by the National Association of the Remodeling Industry.



Good Advice



Fall Recipe Corner

Autumn is ~ An artist who uses ~ An oak leaf ~ To paint a masterpiece! *William Allan Ward*

Easiest Pumpkin Bread Recipe Ever

$\frac{1}{3}$ cup vegetable oil
1 cup canned pumpkin
3 eggs
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups Bisquick

1 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups sugar
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup raisins / or pumpkin seeds or walnuts or pecans—optional

Directions:

Heat oven to 350 degrees.

Generously grease bottom of 9x5 loaf pan. Stir all ingredients except raisins or nuts, in pan with fork until moistened; beat vigorously 1 minute. Stir in raisins or nuts. Bake until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean, 45 to 55 minutes. Cool 5 minutes. Run knife or metal spatula around sides of loaf to loosen; remove from pan and slice. Great with butter and cinnamon sprinkle.



This Year's Hot Ideas for Kitchens

Homeowners are starting to take bigger risks in kitchen design. The first things to go? Matching cabinetry, hardware finishes and countertop styles. Owners now have their sights set on two or even three-toned painted and stained cabinets where the top and bottom cabinets are in complementary colors (grey and white or blue or stained and painted). Homeowners are opting to mix hardware finishes for more eclectic look (brushed nickel and bronze finishes).

Hidden appliances are also on the rise. Stainless steel in different finishes is very popular but for less industrial and more streamlined look, owners will choose microwave drawers and refrigerators with wood paneled doors.

As quickly as these trends have picked up, three other design aesthetics have gone out of style. Homeowners are trading in their speckled granite, short cabinets and dark wood and thermofoil paint cabinets, for quartz, marble and even butcher block tops with ceiling height cabinetry in softer colors. Tall cabinetry also give kitchens the illusion of being bigger and brighter so homeowners will replace shorter top row cabinets with ones that are flush with the ceiling and will choose light and bright paint colors over darker stained finishes to expand the open feel. **We stay current. So give us a call to start your new "trendy" kitchen.**

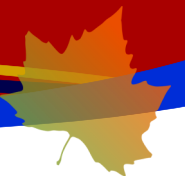


Leaves are falling, and Fall is calling!



Continued Style for 2018/2019 Kitchens?

Houzz Fall 2018



Farmhouse and transitional styles for kitchens are not just a fad. They are very much in style and will continue to do so according to Houzz. Transitional is a popular style that blends the comfort and warmth of traditional with the newer clean profiles of a contemporary look. White and grey painted cabinets will continue to be the top selections with a new line coming called “cashmere” that is proving to be very popular. Design professionals also predict that more task lighting, under cabinet and pendant lighting will remain in demand as will quartz countertops; the leading selection for remodeling customers.

Kitchens are also incorporating and embracing technology. Advance programmable features are now available for refrigerators, dishwashers, microwave/ convection/steam ovens as well as wall ovens, ranges and cooktops. Mixing cabinet colors of stained and painted finishes for the “tuxedo” kitchen style is still extremely popular as is mixing countertop colors for a “wow” effect.

It’s going to be all about designing for livability and having kitchens that support family members at every stage of life. Designers need to create spaces that direct people

back to the functional and timeless looks that are in demand and incorporate technology and upgraded features that will appeal to most remodel customers.



At Atlantic Kitchen & Bath we design kitchens to embrace and accommodate our customer’s needs as well as their visions for the their dream remodel.

Attention to detail and quality materials make all the difference

“We loved the design as soon as we saw it. AKB did a great job of listening to our wants/needs and designing the perfect kitchen for us.”

Why Wait!

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