

Kitchen Standard Guidebook by Houmeindia				
Component	5' - 5'4" Average Height	5'4 - 5'9" Average Height	5'9" + Average Height	Notes
Base Cabinet Depth	2' (~60 cm)	2' (~60 cm)	2' (~60 cm)	Standard depth for all heights
Toe-kick Height ( Skirting )	3"- 4" (~7.5-10 cm)	3"- 4" (~7.5-10 cm)	3"- 4" (~7.5-10 cm)	Standard for comfortable standing
Countertop Height	32"-33"	34"-35"	35"-36"	
Base Cabinet Height (excluding countertop)	Standard - 28" can be increased as per countertop	Standard - 28" can be increased as per countertop	Standard - 28" can be increased as per countertop	Skirting + Cabinet height + 2" = Countertop height
Wall Cabinet Depth	1' - 1'2" (~30-35 cm)	1' - 1'2" (~30-35 cm)	1' - 1'2" (~30-35 cm)	Standard depth to prevent protrusion
Wall Cabinet Height (from countertop)	1'9" - 2' (~55-60 cm)	1'10" - 2'1" (~60-65 cm)	2' - 2'2" (~60-65 cm)	Adjust based on overall cabinet height
Cutlery Tray Height (within drawer)	2.75" - 4" (~7-10 cm)	2.75" - 4" (~7-10 cm)	2.75" - 4" (~7-10 cm)	Adjustable within drawer
Drawer Height (Standard)	6" (~15 cm)	6" (~15 cm)	6" (~15 cm)	Can customize for specific storage
Thali Drawer Height (Standard)	14"	14"	14"	Can customize for specific storage
Cabinet Door & Drawer Widths	Varies - Max 2ft	Varies - Max 2ft	Varies - Max 2ft	Dependent on design & storage needs
Pantry Unit Height	6' - 7' (~180-210 cm)	6' - 7' (~180-210 cm)	6' - 7' (~180-210 cm)	Ensure reachability at the top
Pantry Internal Shelf Depth	2 ft ( 60 cm )	2 ft ( 60 cm )	2 ft ( 60 cm )	Optimal depth for access
Cabinet Door Overlap	1/2" (~1.25cm)	1/2" (~1.25cm)	1/2" (~1.25cm)	Standard aesthetic preference
Hardware Placement	3" (~7.5cm) from top/bottom	3" (~7.5cm) from top/bottom	3" (~7.5cm) from top/bottom	Ergonomic placement

**Additional Considerations:**

**Appliance Placement:** Factor in the height of appliances like cooktops, ovens, and chimneys when determining countertop and cabinet heights.

**Accessibility:** Ensure adequate space for under-counter appliances like dishwashers and ease of use for drawers and cabinets.

**Storage Needs:** Consider the number and size of drawers and cabinets needed for your specific needs

**Personal Preferences:** These are standard recommendations, you can adjust them slightly based on your personal comfort level.

**Other Important Considerations:**

**Plumbing & Electrical:** Ensure proper placement of plumbing fixtures and electrical outlets for appliances and task lighting.

**Ventilation:** A good quality chimney or exhaust fan is essential for removing cooking fumes and odors.

**Lighting:** A combination of general and task lighting is ideal for optimal functionality in the kitchen.

**Flooring:** Choose durable, water-resistant flooring that's easy to clean and maintain.

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Component	Standard Range (Indian Kitchens)	Notes
Minimum Kitchen Width (Galley Style)	Approx. 7 feet	Narrowest for basic functionality
Walkway Clearance	36" - 48" (90 - 120 cm)	Ideal distance for traffic flow
Countertop Overhang (Breakfast Bar)	12" - 18" (30 - 45 cm)	Accommodates comfortable legroom
Distance Between Countertop & Wall Cabinets	18" - 20" (45 - 50 cm)	Allows adequate workspace
Refrigerator Placement	1" - 2" on sides, 1" on top (2.5 - 5 cm)	Manufacturer guidelines may vary
Cooktop/Hob Clearances	Varies by manufacturer, often around 6" on sides, 12" above to combustibles	Consult appliance manual
Chimney Placement	30" - 32" above the cooktop	Common range for extraction. Consult the manual.
Microwave Placement	* Countertop: No specific standard * Built-in: Eye level often preferred * Over-the-range: Check model specifications	Varies based on placement type
Sink Depth	* Single Bowl: 8" - 10" (20 - 25 cm) * Double Bowl: 6" - 8" (15 - 20 cm) per bowl	Preferences and size vary
Backsplash Height	18" - 24" is common, can extend higher	Design choice, ensure material is suitable
Electrical Outlet Placement	Approx. 4" - 6" above countertop, spaced as needed	Follow building codes, plan for appliances
Lighting Recommendations	* Recessed: 3' - 4' apart * Under-cabinet: Continuous or per cabinet * Pendants: 30" - 36" above the surface	Adjust for brightness needs

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Appliance Type	Standard Size Ranges (Width x Depth x Height)	Notes
Refrigerators	* Single Door: 20" - 24" W x 22" - 26" D x 55"- 70" H * Double Door: 28" - 36" W x 28" - 32" D x 65" - 72" H * Side-by-Side: 32" - 36" W x 28" - 34" D x 67" - 70" H	Capacity varies greatly based on type & model
Ovens	* Built-in Single: 24" or 27" W x 24" D x 27"- 29" H * Built-in Double: 27" or 30" W x 24" D x 52" - 54" H	Ovens often have standard widths for cabinetry
Cooktops/Hobs	* 2 Burner: 12" - 18" W x 18" - 22" D * 3-4 Burner: 21" - 30" W x 18" - 22" D * 5+ Burner: 30" - 36" W x 18" -22" D	Cut-out size in the countertop is crucial
Dishwashers	* Built-in: 24" W x 24" D x 34" - 36" H * Countertop: Varies greatly, but often around 22" W x 20" D x 18" H	Built-in models have standardized sizing
Chimneys	* 60 cm: 23.5" W * 90 cm: 35.5" W	Width aligns with common cooktop sizes
Microwaves	* Countertop: Vary greatly, approx. 18"-24" W x 14"-18" D x 10"-14" H * Built-in: Often around 24" or 30" W to align with cabinetry	Smaller countertop models exist