

## Splashbacks

We love kitchen interiors and have a range of services to offer, using our bespoke metal work. Splashbacks, Doors, Drawer fronts, kickboards / plinths, shelves, can all be finished in one of our unique hand-finished metals. Please do contact us to get samples or any other information before you purchase!

We use a liquid form of the chosen metal, to coat a substrate, usually MDF or valchromat. This gives a thin but strong layer which we find is so much easier to age and work with than in sheet metal form. It allows us to coat edges and corners and does not affect the dimensions and tolerances of cabinet doors etc.

We use 6 or 9mm MR MDF as the backing board for our splashbacks. Any visible edges will be rounded slightly and coated in the brass, so no board is visible.



The best way to make sure your splashback is measured and cut accurately, is to make a template in 6mm or 9mm MDF including your desired cut-outs. Once sent to us, we can coat this directly so you can guarantee a perfect fit.

We can also use templates made in correx that are easier to post!

This is not always necessary. For a straightforward splashback we are more than happy to work from accurate dimensions on sketches or plans. All cut-outs must be labelled and if you are fitting between two units or between wall units and worktops, it might be wise to leave 1 mm off the edges to allow it to be easier to fit.

For socket cut-outs we charge £10, the cut outs are made so that the hole is cut behind the faceplate of the socket. An electrician is needed on installation to take off the faceplate so that the splashback can be fitted then the faceplate screwed on top. Templating cannot be done until your kitchen and worktop is in place.

## Size

The maximum length we can make is 300cm. If joins are required, this can be disguised by using a tile or panel effect. If joins are needed think carefully about the exact location of where you would like pieces to meet.

## Installation

Installation is very straightforward. A standard, strong contact adhesive is used to apply the splashback to the dry, dust free, flat wall. If you know that your wall isn't straight, or has bumps and irregularities, please consider this prior to installing.

Please read your hob or range installation instructions to get information on the required distances from the walls/splashbacks. Building regs. can also be consulted. With gas hobs the distance is particularly important, large-bottomed pans placed on a back burner can push the flame quite a distance and if the flame comes into direct contact with the splashback, it can blacken or scorch any splashback that is installed below the correct distance from the burner. Some ovens and ranges have a steam vent along the rear, again it is important to check the required distance from the wall of splashback with the manufacturer. If too placed too close the steam will affect the surface. If required, you can specify fire retardant MDF as a backing or moisture resistant board if behind a sink. Silicone should be used to seal the edge between the splashback and the worksurface, to protect the board from moisture and spills.

Our care guide has all the information needed for looking after the splashback. If you would like to have a degree of protection, then a furniture spray polish eg. pledge can be used every time you clean it. A furniture beeswax or brasso can also be used. Always test a patch first! To clean we recommend windowlene or a glass cleaner.

