Pairing A Backsplash With White Quartz Countertops

People love white <u>quartz countertops</u>. They look beautiful, add a touch of elegance to the room, and often mimic the iconic white stone of marble. When designing your kitchen, a fun additional customization option would be incorporating a backsplash to pair with your countertop.

A backsplash can look like many things, depending on what you are thinking of installing and how you want your kitchen to appear. Let us go over why it is a good idea to install a backsplash and what will pair well with your lovely white quartz countertops.

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What is a Backsplash?

A backsplash is a panel, typically behind a sink or stove, which protects the wall from splashes. It can appear as an extension of the countertop and can be as tall as the ceiling. Backsplashes are installed to prevent water, grease, and other messes from damaging the walls. They also provide an extra layer of protection against rodents and insects from chewing through the walls to reach the countertops.

Although not required, it is usually recommended to install a backsplash when designing or remodeling a kitchen. Backsplashes have a large variety of customization options, allowing for more creativity with design.

Room Design

When considering what backsplash to add with your white countertops, it is important to know what you want to convey with your kitchen. There are no set rules on color customization with interior design, but having an idea of how you want your kitchen to look will make it easier to find the perfect backsplash.

A good place to start is by researching common kitchen interior designs for inspiration. Some of the most popular in kitchen remodeling designs are:

Minimalism: A Minimalist kitchen has clean and clear lines, a monochromatic color palette, with lighter colors used as an accent. White quartz countertops are perfect for this style and installing a white or black backsplash will synchronize well with it. The combination of white and black present the clean and clear lines minimalism aims to portray.

Contemporary: A Contemporary kitchen has flat panels, no decorations, clean lines, and neatly organized. White countertops and a black backsplash are an excellent combination for this room as it fits the aesthetic of simple elegance. Alternatively, white countertops with a gray or light blue backsplash could add a lovely balance of delicate colors to make the room feel clean and brighter.

Transitional: A Transitional kitchen has a combination of other interior designs (typically Traditional and Contemporary), to create a balance of old-school elegance with modern day creativity. White countertops with a decorated backsplash would be great for this since it combines the soft, sophistication of white quartz, with a fun and colorful backsplash.

There are dozens of other interior design options, and there are no rules on which design is the best since everyone has different preferences. You can create your kitchen to be whatever you want it to look, but just know there are options to help with inspiration.

Color Combinations

When decorating, it is valuable to know what colors **match and complement** each other. There are multiple styles of white quartz available and each one can change what type of backsplash you want to install. Understanding which quartz you have will provide better insight on which colors resonate with your preference.

Matching Colors: These are colors that are identical to one another. A matching color for white quartz countertops would be the same or similar shades of white. For instance, if you have a <u>Calacatta Nuvo</u> quartz countertop, then having a Calacatta Nuvo quartz backsplash would match.

Complementing Colors: These are colors that support one another. For white quartz countertops, a complementary color would be light blue, gray, light pink, or yellow. Depending on the type of white quartz you have, a brighter color would complement the white stone.

Alternatively, having a neutral or mute color like gray can make your clean white quartz appear brighter.

Complementary colors are also known as contrasting colors Many interior designs use a black and white color scheme because the contrasting colors allow both to appear stronger and give clear spacing. Black and white are also aesthetically pleasing to see, which makes it a popular choice. Having a black backsplash will make your countertops appear brighter, as well as provide negative space to highlight the cabinets. Other great colors are dark brown, deep red and dark blue.

By using an <u>online kitchen visualizer</u>, you can sort through the different color combinations and see what resonates with you.

Backsplash Materials

A backsplash can be made from a variety of materials, allowing for more customization options when designing your kitchen. Some popular options for backsplash material are:

Porcelain: Porcelain is made from compressed clay dust and fired with high temperatures. It is very sturdy and requires no sealing, giving it the strength to endure for many years. A porcelain backsplash can act as a neutral accent piece to highlight your white quartz countertops or a continuation of your countertop into the cabinets.

Glass: Glass is an artificial substance made from combining sand, soda ash and limestone with high heat. Glass is non-porous and stain-resistant, presents a very clean environment, has a reflective surface, and is exceptionally easy to maintain. Having a glass backsplash will reflect the brilliant white quartz countertops to create a dazzling environment in the kitchen. Glass also comes in many shapes, sizes, colors, and patterns, providing you with multiple options for customization.

<u>Marble</u>: Marble is a luxurious stone and offers a chic design with kitchens. Having a marble backsplash provides your kitchen with a lovely balance of artificial and natural stone working in harmony. Marble is regarded as an elegant stone, which will add to the artistic beauty of the white quartz countertops. It comes in a variety of colors, has moderate durability, and adds value to your home. Many white quartz manufacturers try to imitate the look of marble, making them a perfect match.

Ceramic: Ceramics are made from clay and non-metallic elements, shaped together with water, and solidified with high temperatures in a kiln. Ceramic is a popular choice as a backsplash because it is highly customizable with a: matte, glazed, metallic, hand-painted, or mosaic appearance. All these options can work amazingly in any kitchen design and all styles of white quartz.

Quartz: While installing a white quartz countertop, keep going and have a quartz backsplash. Nothing matches a countertop-backsplash combination better than using the same material. This will give your kitchen a more connected look as the countertop can move up the wall and surround you.

Things to Consider

When deciding what backsplash to install with your countertops, it would also be good to consider these ideas

Where is the focus of the kitchen?

When designing any room, it is good to have a focal point; a place where the eye is automatically drawn to. Kitchens have multiple focal points options like: island, countertop, cabinet, hanging lights or candle sticks on a table. White quartz countertops are a good eye-catcher, so having a neutral backsplash will complement your white quartz

What color cabinets do you have?

Cabinet color can help decide what you would like a backsplash to be. A backsplash is often behind a sink or stove, but can lead toward the cabinets. Having the backsplash be a mute color can provide the countertops and cabinets more space to be seen.

What colors do you like?

No matter what theme you want to have, it is your kitchen, so choose the colors you like most. Feel relaxed in your kitchen by surrounding yourself with the colors you feel comfortable.

Conclusion

There is no rule on how your backsplash should look or what goes best with white quartz countertops. Have fun and be creative with deciding what backsplash you want for your kitchen.