A small plan. A better kitchen.

START HERE / Instructions and a worked example

Choose one cabinet, drawer or pantry zone. Print at **100% / actual size** in the matching paper format. These worksheets record measurements; drawings are not to-scale templates. No account or email is needed.

1. Measure. Empty the space. Record the narrowest interior and clear opening. Mark hinges, pipes, shelf lips and the closed-door line. Choose centimetres or inches and write the unit beside every value.

2. Compare. Use one continuous clear box, never the sum of gaps around a pipe. Check assembled product dimensions, contents, insertion and movement. Follow the exact installation manual.

3. Try it. Make a paper footprint. Test the door and the daily task. Buy only the missing function, then review your layout after a week.

WORKED EXAMPLE (cm)
Interior: 60 W x 50 D x 65 H. Clear opening: 56 W x 60 H. No obstructions. Chosen allowance: 0.5 cm at each end of every axis.
Maximum comparison box: **55 W x 49 D x 59 H cm**.
Width = min(60, 56) - 1. Depth = 50 - 1. Height = min(65, 60) - 1.
A 56 cm-wide fixed organizer fails the opening check. An equal-to-limit product needs a manual recheck.

Limits: this is a planning aid, not a safety or installation certification. Keep valves accessible. Do not modify plumbing, wiring or structural parts to fit storage. A clear outer box does not verify rails, load rating, door swing or stored-item height.

Use with: vlazi.com/tools/kitchen-cabinet-sizer/
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Measure the space you have.

WORKSHEET 01 / Cabinet measurements

Zone / cabinet name: _____

Date and chosen unit (cm or in): _____

Smallest interior width: _____

Usable interior depth (to closed-door line): _____

Clear height (to lowest obstruction): _____

Clear opening width: _____

Clear opening height: _____

Clearance allowance per side: _____

Take width readings at the front, middle and back. Record the smallest. Include hinges and shelf supports. For a drawer, check the lowest closing path. Note any uncertainty below.

What could block insertion? _____

Stored item height / lifting space: _____

Measurements to recheck before buying: _____

Make room around the pipes.

WORKSHEET 02 / Under-sink obstruction map

Sketch front and top views. Mark the sink bowl, trap, hoses, valves and any electrical equipment. Do not move or disconnect equipment. Measure left and right zones separately.

FRONT VIEW

TOP VIEW

Chosen single clear zone (L / R / front): _____

Clear box width / depth / height: _____

Clear insertion route and removal route: _____

- [ ] Valves remain visible and reachable
- [ ] No pressure on pipes, hoses or wiring
- [ ] Loaded items clear the sink bowl
- [ ] Leak inspection and servicing remain practical

Know what needs a home.

WORKSHEET 03 / Pantry inventory

Record normal quantities after a grocery trip. Keep original storage instructions, dates and allergen information available if decanting. Use one line per item group.

Item / group	Usual qty	Largest size	Home zone

Overflow or duplicates to resolve: _____

Food storage directions to retain: _____

Give everyday tasks a zone.

WORKSHEET 04 / Kitchen zone planner

Group by task: breakfast, prep, cooking, washing up or snacks. Put frequently used items where the people who need them can reach them safely. Keep heavy items low and supported.

Task / zone	Everyday items	Location / access

One task this layout should make easier: _____

Items that need safer or separate storage: _____

What can I test with containers I already own? _____

Check more than the width.

WORKSHEET 05 / Organizer compatibility

Exact brand / model / regional listing: _____

Assembled width / depth / height + unit: _____

Required manufacturer installation clearance: _____

Maximum comparison box from the sizer: _____

- [ ] Product passes the clear opening upright
- [ ] Handles, feet and overhangs included
- [ ] Contents fit above and within the organizer
- [ ] Door and drawer close without contact
- [ ] Moving parts / full extension checked separately
- [ ] Fixings, load rating and surface checked in the manual
- [ ] Valves and service access remain clear
- [ ] Cardboard footprint and removal route tested

Unresolved question / do not buy until checked: _____

Shop for the missing function.

WORKSHEET 06 / Shortlist and shopping check

Set a spending ceiling, then check the actual local price, delivery, returns and exact model. Do not use product-title nominal sizes in place of assembled measurements.

Budget ceiling and currency: _____

Candidate / retailer	W x D x H	Fit / open question

Current local total price and date checked: _____

Returns / assembly conditions checked: _____

Buy now, remeasure, or use what I own? _____

A calmer zone in seven days.

WORKSHEET 07 / Small declutter plan

- [ ] Day 1: Choose one zone and one outcome.

My note: _____

- [ ] Day 2: Empty it; sort what belongs there.

My note: _____

- [ ] Day 3: Measure the interior, opening and obstructions.

My note: _____

- [ ] Day 4: Try a reversible layout with existing containers.

My note: _____

- [ ] Day 5: Compare only the missing organizer function.

My note: _____

- [ ] Day 6: Test access, closing and safe support with contents.

My note: _____

- [ ] Day 7: Record what worked and one adjustment.

My note: _____

Keep the units clear.

WORKSHEET 08 / Metric and imperial reference

Exact factors: 1 inch = 25.4 mm = 2.54 cm. 1 cm = 10 mm.
Inches to cm: multiply by 2.54. Cm to inches: divide by 2.54.
Do not convert 12 5/8 in to 12.58. It is 12.625 in = 32.0675 cm.

Fraction of inch	Decimal inches	Centimetres
1/8	0.125	0.3175
1/4	0.25	0.635
3/8	0.375	0.9525
1/2	0.5	1.27
5/8	0.625	1.5875
3/4	0.75	1.905
7/8	0.875	2.2225

Reference: NIST Guide to the SI, Appendix B.8, inch conversion factor. Display rounding does not make a physical product more precise. If a listing gives different rounded units, recheck tight matches and allow for real-world tolerances.

My original measurement and unit: _____

Converted value and rounding used: _____

Keep the part that works.

WORKSHEET 09 / Final layout and one-week review

Zone / date of first setup: _____

SKETCH YOUR FINAL LAYOUT (not to scale)

Can I reach each daily item without moving another? _____

Does everything close freely when loaded? _____

Can the area be cleaned and serviced? _____

What did I stop buying or storing here? _____

One change to try next week: _____

Keep the record. Store this sheet with the measurement page. Re-measure before changing the organizer or moving it to a different cabinet. A fit in one space does not prove a fit in another.