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How to Upgrade Dated Honey Oak Cabinets

✂ 2 Materials 📄 \$50 ⌚ 3 Hours 📈 Easy

We needed to update the outdated kitchen in our cabin. These honey oak cabinets and gold hardware needed to go! We didn't want to spend a lot of money or time (aka didn't want to have to replace the cabinets, or remove and paint all of the doors), so we decided to stain them. This was such a cheap and quick way to update the kitchen without breaking the bank!



What we used:
Wood stain
Steel wool
Updated hardware



Step 1: Remove hardware and "scuff"

After taking off the horrible hardware, we scuffed up the doors with steel wool. Again, we didn't even take the doors off the hinges, which saved so much time and headache!

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Step 2: Stain
Next we stained the doors with a darker wood stain. You could also choose to white wash them if you want! This was so much easier than painting because it didn't need to be perfect, and it only took one coat!



Step 3: Replace hardware
Finally we replaced the gold hardware with some more modern silver pulls. It's amazing what a difference hardware alone can make!



To finish off our updates in the kitchen, we painted the trim white, updated the light fixtures, and removed the dated window treatments.

We are SO happy with the results! It just took a little stain to remove that harsh yellow from our dated honey oak cabinets, and its a whole new kitchen!! We found this to be much easier and faster than painting the cabinets. Its amazing what some stain/paint can do for a space!

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Did you paint the wall above and below the cabinets? I can see something there, but maybe it is spackling or something like that.

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Valerie 5 hours ago

How do you whitewash?

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Wendi 4 hours ago

What type of stain did you use? Did you polyurethane them after staining? Thanks!

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I really can't see much difference

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Debbie Peterson Jenson 4 hours ago

Looks better~ I like wood cabinets better than painted as painted show marks & scuffs easier. Nice

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