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Outdoor cabinets

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# Chapter 1

## Get to know ZahBuilt

If you're looking to create or to renovate an outdoor living space, especially an outdoor kitchen, you're probably neck deep in research about outdoor cabinets! If your end goal is a solution that's durable, beautiful, low-maintenance, and outdoor-resistant, make sure to add ZählerBuilt outdoor cabinets to your list of potential brands.

## **The ZählerBuilt Origin Story**

ZählerBuilt was first launched in 1987 in Florida's innovative Space Coast. The company remains today in Melbourne, Florida.



The original business was Melbourne Architectural Millwork Company. When they were looking to pursue a line of outdoor kitchen cabinetry, ZählerBuilt was launched as a subsidiary of that parent company.

ZählerBuilt is a family-owned and family-operated undertaking. For the homeowner or consumer, that means less of the impersonal touch you'd get with a massive corporation or a household brand.



## **What Does ZählerBuilt Mean?**

The name “ZählerBuilt” is of German origin. Roughly translated, it means “built tough.”

“Zäh” means an object or substance is strong enough to weather even adverse conditions. It speaks to toughness, resilience, and durability.

Obviously, this aligns with the company’s entire ethos around their cabinetry. Outdoor cabinets are exposed to an incredible amount of strain.

- Intense UV and sun exposure
- Rain and other moisture
- Extreme temperatures (heat and cold)
- Salt (in coastal areas)
- Wind



And that’s to say nothing of the normal wear and tear that comes with kitchen cabinetry and storage solutions.

To withstand those conditions, season after season, the cabinetry needs to be designed, built, and installed with durability in mind. This is the cornerstone of any ZählerBuilt product.

## What Products Does ZählerBuilt Offer?

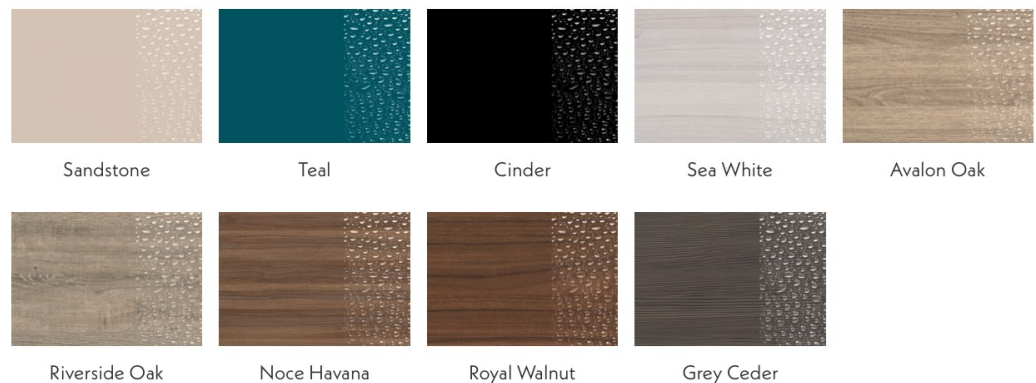
ZählerBuilt outdoor cabinetry comes in two collections:

- The Sonoma Collection
- The Windswept Collection

Sonoma is their most cost-effective line. These cabinetry doors are made from compact board, which is created by heat pressing sixty-four layers of resin-soaked craft paper. A decorative face is integrated into that homogenous sheet. Edges are then polished black. The end result is 16 millimeters thick.

The Sonoma Collection is available in nine preset colors:

- Sandstone
- Teal
- Cinder
- Sea White
- Avalon Oak
- Riverside Oak
- Noce Havana
- Royal Walnut
- Gray Cedar



The Windswept Collection is constructed with Accoya, a true wood solution. This sustainable lumber option undergoes a nontoxic treatment that gives it several advantages over traditional lumber:



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- Dimensionally stable (does not visibly swell, warp, or shrink in the way traditional wood does in exterior conditions)
- Highly resistant to even adverse exterior conditions
- Insect repellent

Every Windswept Door comes standard with a ten-year warranty, and the backside is finished in the basecoat color.

There are six different color options available:

- Oyster
- Sand
- Sahara
- Cocoa Bean
- Wave Crest
- Storm



And there are three door styles available:

- Shaker
- Louver
- Slab





With this breadth of available products, homeowners or consumers are sure to find a solution that meets both their functional and aesthetic needs.

### **Trying to Find the Right Outdoor Cabinets for Your Exterior Living Space?**

When you're creating an outdoor living space, cabinetry is a big part of that decision. You want something that looks incredible, won't require a ton of time-intensive maintenance, and will stand up to even the most inclement weather and conditions over time—all while staying within your project budget.

If you want to talk through the options for your Northern Virginia or Maryland home, we're always happy to share what products we love and would fit your specific project.

We're Design Builders, and for decades, we've specialized in custom high-end outdoor living spaces. We know what works (and doesn't) in this part of the world, and we're always happy to answer your questions.

Contact us today to learn more about ZähBuilt or any of the products we know, use, and love in our design and build projects!





## Chapter 2

# 6 Benefits of ZahBuilt Cabinets

## Chapter 2 : Benefits of ZählerBuilt Outdoor Cabinets

Creating an outdoor living space can transform your home. Done right, you get more beauty, functionality, and space. One key to that design process is getting the right outdoor cabinetry for you, your family, and your property. If you're in the process of researching outdoor cabinets, here are some benefits of ZählerBuilt outdoor cabinets and why they might just be the solution that's the perfect fit for your outdoor build or renovation.



### 6 Key Reasons ZählerBuilt Cabinets Provide a Competitive Advantage

Outdoor cabinetry is a significant investment, but the right solution will provide an easy-to-use, beautiful, durable storage option for years to come.

While the outdoor cabinetry space is typically dominated by a few big names in the market, ZählerBuilt is an established, trusted brand that's worth adding to your list of potential products. (Not familiar? Get an overview of ZählerBuilt outdoor cabinets.)

Here are just some of the key benefits they offer to commercial and residential users:



## Chapter 2 : Benefits of ZähBuilt Outdoor Cabinets

### 1. Built tough to withstand the outdoors.

ZähBuilt cabinets are designed, engineered, and manufactured specifically for outdoor applications. They are water resistant, UV resistant, and extremely durable.

Even in extreme weather, these cabinets are designed to hold up. This is especially good news for Northern Virginia and Maryland homeowners. Even throughout seasonal extremes, you can be confident a ZähBuilt cabinet will handle whatever northeastern weather has to throw at it!

### 2. Uses the highest quality materials and production methods.

Quality is the keystone of the ZähBuilt brand. This holds true for the materials used in production, as well as all the engineering, designing, and manufacturing processes.

Based in Melbourne, United States, ZähBuilt calls Florida's Space Coast home. The company is founded and rooted in design innovation and high-tech solutions.





### **3. Provides outdoor cabinetry with minimal maintenance.**

One of the most frustrating things about a home improvement project is when you select a product that ends up needing frequent, intensive, or costly maintenance to keep it looking its best. ZähBuilt is designed to combat that issue.

These low-maintenance cabinets save you time, hassle, and money in two key ways. One, the cabinets themselves are extremely well made. You don't have to spend as much time worrying about the cost or time associated with repairing or replacing damaged pieces.

Two, in terms of day-to-day use, these cabinets do not require a heavy maintenance lift. In the vast majority of cases, a clean, lint-free, soft towel dipped in warm water and a mild cleaning agent will suffice to keep your cabinets looking pristine.

### **4. Designed to make your outdoor living space as functional as possible.**

While the aesthetics of outdoor cabinets are obviously important, the looks mean nothing if those cabinets aren't serving a functional purpose. Over the years, outdoor living spaces have become increasingly elaborate. More features have been added, and more and more homeowners have been treating, designing, and decorating these spaces to match or to complement the interior square footage of the home.



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## **5. Engineered to be beautiful.**

Once the functionality is in place, then you want to ensure you're investing in cabinetry that makes your space look amazing. While everybody has different specific design preferences, you want cabinets that are timeless in their appeal.

ZählerBuilt provides sleek, elegant door styles (shaker, louver, and slab) in a variety of neutral but appealing colors. This design approach means you get the best of both worlds: enough variety and style to customize your area but without any fear of choosing a design trend that ends up making your outdoor living space look dated after just a few seasons.

## **6. Thoughtfully designed with customization in mind.**

Whether you're building a screen porch, deck, patio, outdoor kitchen, or some combination of those design elements, creating a successful outdoor living space hinges on you thinking about how you're going to get the most versatility and use out of your area.

Here at Design Builders, we specialize in high-end, custom outdoor living spaces, and we always love working with innovative, high-quality products. That's why we're happy to offer ZählerBuilt as one option to our Northern Virginia and Maryland customer base.



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# Chapter 3

## Custom Built Cabinets



Your outdoor living space has the potential to transform the look and feel of your home, but for that to happen, it has to match *your* life. To truly love a home improvement project for years down the line, the new space must offer timeless design that fits with your existing aesthetic. It must also improve your home's overall functionality, helping you use the property in the best way for your lifestyle. Given its importance, here are the key customization features of ZähBuilt custom outdoor cabinets.

### 3 Ways to Customize Your ZähBuilt Cabinetry

The ability to customize your outdoor living space is often the difference between a final product that's meh and one you adore. If you're investing in outdoor cabinetry, make sure you're able to customize the details that matter to you.

ZähBuilt outdoor cabinets allow you to...

#### 1. Create custom paint colors.

ZähBuilt cabinets offer a set of standard colors, but you can also completely customize your paint color selection. Anything within the Sherwin-Williams line of colors can be custom matched.

This gives you the design leeway to match or to complement existing cabinetry (inside or outside the home) or any other design feature.

You can also customize the finishing of that color, achieving anything from a high gloss to a matte look.



## Chapter 3 : Custom built Cabinets

Expect special order colors to take approximately twice as long as in-stock colors to ship. Always coordinate with your design and build team to lock in your color choice and ensure your custom cabinetry order arrives at the right time for the rest of the project.



### 2. Accommodate custom cabinetry sizes.

With some outdoor cabinetry, cabinets come in standard sizes, and then small spacers are used to fill any remaining gaps. (A seventeen-inch cabinet, for example, would actually be a fifteen-inch cabinet with a two-inch spacer.) With ZähBuilt cabinets, everything can be ordered in custom sizes down to the quarter inch.

This offers a few distinct advantages:

- Maximize your available cabinet space.
- Enjoy a more streamlined appearance with fewer visible lines.
- Get a near-perfect fit, even in very constricted spaces.

## Chapter 3 : Custom Built Cabinets

Every ZähBuilt product is custom built to order, so whatever size or shape you need for your cabinetry, choosing this kind of customizable option helps ensure you get the end result you want.

### 3. Fit custom appliances.

As outdoor living spaces have become more elaborate, they've started incorporating more features that make them as comfortable, livable, and functional as any interior space. With that comes more gadgets, amenities, and appliances.



While an outdoor living space used to be a few lawn chairs and a charcoal grill, today's spaces regularly include:

- Sinks
- Refrigerators and freezers
- Wine coolers
- Ice makers
- Dishwashers
- Garbage pulls
- Ovens and stovetops
- Griddles, barbecues, and grills (including Big Green Egg, Evo, and others)

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One of the common challenges with outdoor cabinetry is the ability to seamlessly integrate all these appliances into the design.

With ZähBuilt, you can actually customize your cabinetry to your design specifications. On the backend, there will be a team reviewing these designs for safety, feasibility, and functionality. Before committing to fabrication or installation, this verifies your idea will work logistically. (What does that mean for you, the homeowner? Fewer mistakes. Fewer expenses. Fewer cabinets not working as intended.)

If the design concept works, you can forge ahead with your design and build team. If it doesn't, you can all work together to find acceptable alternative solutions.

With this level of customization, you know the exact appliances and amenities you want in your outdoor kitchen or screen porch will fit perfectly, look seamless, and work as intended.

### **Interested in Learning More about ZähBuilt Cabinets in Your Northern Virginia or Maryland Outdoor Living Space?**

Want to discuss the customization options of ZähBuilt? We're Design Builders, and we have decades of experience creating custom outdoor living spaces. We'd love to discuss your upcoming project and answer any questions you have about ZähBuilt or any of our other preferred products!







# Chapter 4

## Cabinet Colors



### What Colors Are Possible with ZähBuilt Outdoor Cabinets?

Customization is one of the biggest selling points of ZähBuilt cabinetry, and that very much applies to what colors are possible with these durable, low-maintenance outdoor cabinets. Match or complement the existing design scheme. Create a neutral base and accent with pops of color. Transform your cabinetry into a striking visual centerpiece for your outdoor living space. It's all possible with the range and possibilities of ZähBuilt outdoor cabinetry colors.

### In-Stock Colors and Special Custom Orders

When you go with ZähBuilt outdoor cabinetry, you have two avenues for your color options. They offer a standard slate of in-stock cabinetry colors, but they also offer custom colors.



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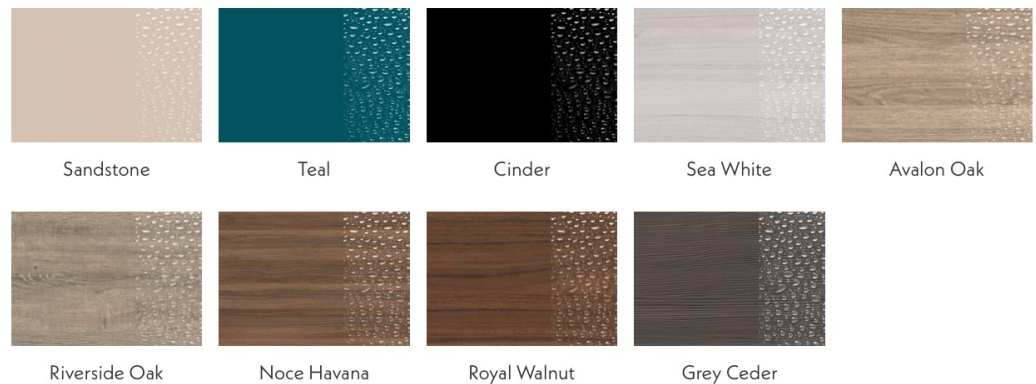
If you opt for the custom choice, you can match any shade within the Sherwin-Williams color family. That gives you over 1,700 different color choices for your outdoor cabinetry.

### In-Stock Color Options from the ZähBuilt Outdoor Cabinet Collections

ZähBuilt currently has two main collections: the Sonoma Collection and the Windswept Collection. Each offers a range of available standard colors.

#### Sonoma Collection:

- Avalon Oak
- Cinder
- Gray Cedar
- Noce Havana
- Riverside Oak
- Royal Walnut
- Sandstone
- Sea White
- Teal



#### Windswept Collection:

- Cocoa Bean
- Cyclone
- Sahara
- Sand
- Storm
- Wave Crest





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These standard color options are available in any of the three door styles (Slab, Louver, and Shaker).

### Everything to Know about Custom Colors from ZähBuilt

If you want your screen porch or outdoor kitchen to be truly unique, a custom color on your outdoor cabinetry is one easy way to achieve that. If you're working with a design and build team and have chosen ZähBuilt for your cabinets, here are a few things to know:

- Custom colors are available on either collection (Sonoma or Windswept).
- Expect the lead time on custom color orders to be approximately twice as long as in-stock standard colors.
- Different finishes are available as well, offering everything from flat matte to high gloss.
- Certain finishes are subject to upcharges.
- Before locking in your color choice, a sample can be ordered. The homeowner is responsible for covering any sample charges.





# Chapter 5

## Why Zahbuilt Cabinets are Perfect For the Outdoors



## **Looking for Outdoor Cabinetry? Look No Further Than ZähBuilt Cabinets!**

When building any outdoor living space, cabinetry is an essential piece. The right cabinets provide storage, improve aesthetics, and ensure the space is as usable as possible. When choosing your outdoor cabinetry, it's important to find a product that balances durability, looks, and functionality. This is where ZähBuilt outdoor cabinetry comes in!

### **What Makes ZähBuilt Cabinets Uniquely Prepared for Exterior Use?**

The name ZähBuilt roughly translates to “built tough,” and the product doesn't disappoint. Here are the key ways ZähBuilt cabinetry is designed to withstand the elements—without compromising on looks or functionality.





## **1. High-Quality, Durable Materials**

Whether you're interested in the original Sonoma collection or the newer Accoya Windswept collection, every ZähBuilt cabinet is constructed from the highest quality materials. These are specifically designed and engineered to be compatible with the outdoors. Even years down the line, they are made to look and function as well as the day of install.

Just some examples of the cabinetry materials used include:

- Low density poly marine board
- Stainless steel hardware
- Accoya natural timber (acetylated wood)

## **2. Thoughtful Production and Design Techniques**

ZähBuilt is also committed to smartly designing their cabinetry. Even with frequent use and exposure to the elements, they are built to withstand and last.

The cabinet boxes, for examples, are made from a UV-stable low density poly marine board. Other cabinetry options on the market use PVC or foam, which can warp when exposed to enough sun or heat. Because of the materials chosen by ZähBuilt, this isn't an issue homeowners have to worry about.



### **3. Low Maintenance**

When it comes to any product intended for outdoor use, one of the biggest concerns is maintenance. How much time, effort, and money will be required to keep that product looking and functioning as well as the day it was installed?

With Zähbuilt cabinets, you know you're getting a product specifically designed to be low maintenance, even under the extra stresses of outdoor variables (sun, rain, snow, temperature fluctuations).

### **4. Water Resistant**

Whichever line of Zähbuilt cabinetry you select, you'll enjoy the benefits of a water-resistant product. From rain to snow to other forms of precipitation, no form of water will rust, deteriorate, or damage your cabinetry.

This makes the cabinetry a great year-round, hassle-free, stress-free choice. This holds especially true for homeowners in Northern Virginia and Maryland—areas that experience all four distinct seasons throughout the year.



# Chapter 6

## Unique ZahBuilt Cabinets Installations



## **Out-of-the-Box Uses for Zähler Outdoor Cabinetry**

Can you install Zähler cabinetry in a standard outdoor kitchen or screened-in porch? Absolutely. And it's a stunning, durable, low-maintenance option for that. But because these cabinets are built tough and designed specifically to weather the elements, it's also no surprise people have come up with some pretty unique Zähler cabinet installations. Check out these (slightly) out-of-the-box uses for this leading name in outdoor cabinetry.

### **7 Ways You Didn't Think about Using Zähler Cabinets**

Interesting patterns and shapes. Environments that put cabinetry to the test. Here are some unexpected real-world ways people are thinking to use Zähler cabinets.

#### **1. Using Accoya in Nonstandard Ways**

Accoya is the innovative true wood solution used in the doors of the Zähler Windswept collection. But people aren't stopping at that use.

These are just some of the other ways people are experimenting with Accoya, a real wood material that's rated for exterior use:

- Cladding for stove hoods
- Custom or standard crown molding
- Baseboards
- Exterior handrails (created custom for Disney)

## 2. Creating Custom Shapes with ZähBuilt Cabinetry

Because the ZähBuilt brand focuses on creating a quality and customizable product, it's possible to create nonstandard shapes within the cabinetry. For visual interest, one project incorporated an X design into their cabinet order. Others have created a bow front effect on the cabinetry doors.

One of the selling points of ZähBuilt is that they love working with interior designers, contractors, and homeowners to make those interesting, unique, nonstandard cabinetry ideas a reality. Each ZähBuilt representative is highly involved in the process of ensuring the customer idea is feasible by reviewing everything carefully with the manufacturing team before anything moves forward.



### **3. Capitalizing on ZähBuilt Cabinet Durability**

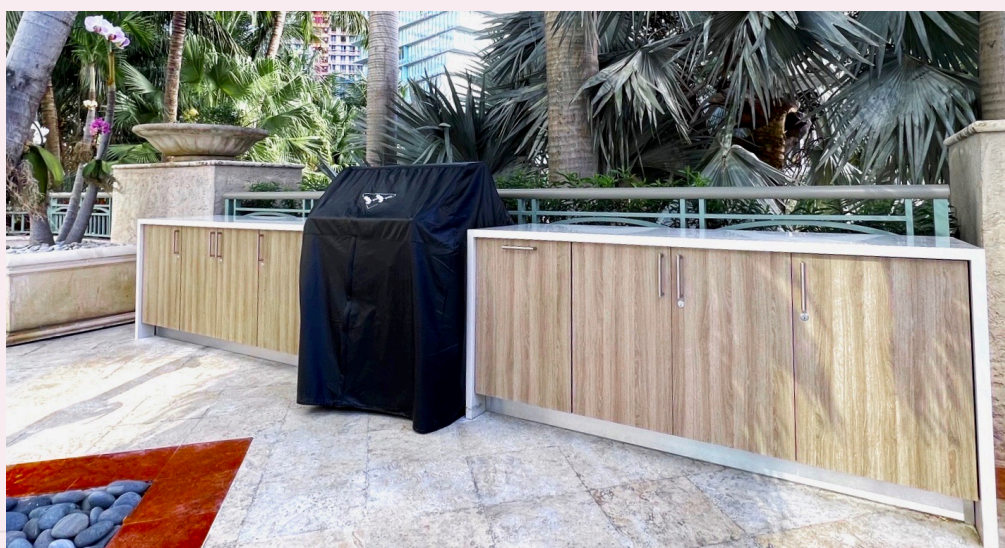
One of the hallmarks of ZähBuilt is its durability. It's a major selling point for the company and a great way it provides ongoing value for its customers.

Because these cabinets are able to withstand more than an average amount of wear and tear, some people have started using them as cabinetry within garages. This keeps the space organized, functional, and aesthetically pleasing.

Even car collectors have started ordering tall ZähBuilt cabinets to house all the tools necessary to maintain those collections. People are making this switch because standard interior cabinets aren't often up to that level of use and can be left looking dinged and dented over time in those environments.

### **4. Putting the ZähBuilt UV Resistance to the Test**

One ZähBuilt installation was on a full exposure rooftop deck. Another ZähBuilt project was an outdoor service bar. In both cases, the installations received direct, intense UV exposure.





## 5. Seeing if ZähBuilt's Weather Resistance Holds Water

ZähBuilt cabinetry is designed to withstand the elements. That includes a resistance to water. Because of this property, it's not surprising some have turned to ZähBuilt for their dock boxes. (These are secure storage solutions kept on or near docks. They're meant to house anything that could be used in that space, including life vests, outdoor cushions, water skis, fishing poles, and more.)

Not only can ZähBuilt cabinets hold up to the water and sun exposure of that environment, but they also lend a modern, clean, upscale aesthetic. If desired, the exterior cabinetry could even be made to color and design match the home's interior cabinetry.



## 6. Helping Out Some Furry Friends

From dog wash stations to horse stables, some people have even starting using ZähBuilt cabinets to accommodate animal-filled spaces.

This cabinetry is a great fit for these unique jobs. Why?

- Easy to clean and maintain, even in dirtier-than-average conditions
- Water resistance in wetter-than-average conditions
- Beautiful and timeless design providing an upscale, modern look

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### 7. Keeping It Secure with ZähBuilt Innovation

Several commercial spaces, including resorts and hotels, have landed on ZähBuilt as their outdoor cabinetry of choice.

The ability to add locks to the cabinets makes them ideal for places like the Ritz Carlton to keep their towels, cushions, and other poolside gear. The minimal maintenance requirements of the cabinetry is another huge plus, especially for areas that get frequent use. After a quick hosing off, they're good to go!

### **Have a Traditional (or Nontraditional) Use for ZähBuilt Cabinets in Your Northern Virginia or Maryland Property?**

Want to know if your outside-the-box application for ZähBuilt is feasible? Reach out to us at Design Builders.

For decades we've specialized in custom outdoor living spaces in the Northern Virginia and Maryland markets. We're always happy to see how the products we use and love every day, including ZähBuilt, can bring your vision to life!



# Chapter 7

## The ZahBuilt Installation Process



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### Why ZählerBuilt Cabinetry's Installation Process Should Excite Homeowners

When it comes to outdoor cabinetry, you might not think the installation process has much impact on your life, wallet, or overall project. But it actually makes a significant difference! Here are some of the innovative installation techniques ZählerBuilt outdoor cabinetry uses to save its customers time, hassle, and money.

### 5 Innovative Design Tactics from ZählerBuilt Cabinetry

Whether it's saving you dollars and cents or peace of mind, the installation process for ZählerBuilt cabinetry has been carefully designed at every step to best serve you, the end user.

#### 1. Adjustable Legs and Included Leg Leveler

The easy-to-attach snap-in legs on all ZählerBuilt outdoor cabinetry are entirely adjustable up to 1.5 inches. This feature comes standard on all base cabinets.

Included with the cabinetry is an intuitive leg leveler, a tool specifically designed to easily and quickly create a fully level, stable cabinetry system.

No special tools beyond that included leg leveler are required to achieve this leveling. This contributes to an overall installation process that's:

- Quick
- Hassle-free
- Installer-friendly

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Custom cabinetry heights are available as well, ensuring the product is fully compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

### 2. Button Fix Fastener System for Drawer Fronts

One incredibly unique and effective design innovation of ZähBuilt cabinetry is their Button Fix Fastener system. With this design touch, every drawer front and apron front can simply pop on and pop off.

This gives quick, easy, immediate access to any drawer front. This becomes especially useful in cabinetry for outdoor kitchens. Without ever having to disassemble the entire cabinet, you can install, adjust, and accommodate for grills or any other outdoor appliances integrated into the cabinetry system.

This saves an installer an incredible amount of time and minimizes any chance of damage or unexpected issues from assembling and disassembling the cabinetry bases multiple times.

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### **4. Floating Center Panels**

Engineered into every ZähBuilt Windswept collection door (Shaker and Louver) is a floating center panel design. This accommodation for the slight expansion and contraction of natural wood helps prevent any cracking or splitting in the styles or rails.

This additional layer of protection is a proactive way to ensure any investment in a ZähBuilt product is worth it, even years down the line.

### **5. Thorough, Qualified Review Process**

One of the biggest advantages of choosing ZähBuilt is that their reps are very involved in the design process. Whatever the customer wants, those reps are there working with their manufacturing team, reviewing all plans, and ensuring everything with the project is going to be seamless...before it even gets to the fabrication and installation stage.

### **What's In It for the Homeowners?**

Having easier, faster, more effective installations benefits homeowners across the board.

### **Saves You Money**

When a project doesn't take as long to install, it requires fewer billable labor hours. Those savings for the build team get passed on to you, the homeowner.



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When the install is simple, streamlined, and smartly designed, there's also less room for error or mistakes. Again, this helps your project budget and wallet.

### **Makes High-Quality Products More Accessible**

Because the ZähBuilt system cuts fabrication time roughly in half, there's room there for the product to fill a big need in the middle market. Even though the cabinetry uses high-end materials, employs innovative design, requires little maintenance, and is built to withstand even extreme exterior environments, it's not the most expensive cabinetry in the market.

This means even more homeowners can have access to cabinetry of that quality and caliber for their outdoor living spaces.

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### **Gives You More Confidence and Peace of Mind**

When homeowners choose ZähBuilt, they get extra peace of mind.

They know:

- The product is high quality and won't require frequent or costly upkeep or repairs—even years after install
- A team of manufacturers has worked in the background to ensure their custom design concepts are viable
- They won't have to deal with the costliest aspect of cabinetry: mistakes in design, fabrication, or installation

The commitment to quality—from initial design to final install—means you get a product that will install faster with less chance of time delays or unexpected costs.

### **Any Questions about ZähBuilt Cabinetry?**

Are you currently dreaming about your ideal outdoor living space? Have any questions about whether ZähBuilt is right for your Northern Virginia or Maryland home?

Reach out to Design Builders today. We specialize in high-end custom exterior spaces. (We're not the answer for a standard 12'x12' deck!) We're always happy to answer any questions you have about our preferred products, including ZähBuilt