



Local Company leading the Cabinet and ready-to-move homes industry

Building offsite controls costs and problems

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Since its inception in 1970, Nu-Fab Building Products has developed an excellent reputation for excellence in design, innovation and dependability in Saskatoon. A division of All-Fab Building Components Inc., Nu-Fab offers a wide range of wood products including roof and floor trusses, finish products, custom stairs, house packages and ready-to-move (RTM) homes. With more than thirty years of experience in building design, construction and material supply, they are a leader in the industry.

An RTM home should not be confused with a pre-fabricated house, which generally refers to a house that is mass-

produced and modular, or built in pieces that must be assembled on-site. An RTM is a custom-built, quality construction that is assembled in its entirety—inside and out—on a builder's site, and then moved into place to the homebuyer's property.

Nu-Fab RTM homes are built to completion at their operations plant in Vanscoy, Saskatchewan with carpet installed and all painting and finishing work including cabinetry. A family might opt for an island-style counter with built-ins like a pantry and china cabinet and cupboards constructed with solid maple or oak doors. Cabinetry is a specialty for

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the company and is the culmination of a unique partnership they have developed with Kitchen Craft Cabinetry.

Both companies are committed to providing customers with the best overall solution for cabinetry in the home and office. Nu-Fab is the first and only full-service distributor in Saskatoon of Kitchen Craft Cabinetry, which has been manufacturing cabinets in Winnipeg since 1972. The company manufactures two lines of custom and semi-custom cabinetry, Integra and Aurora, for the kitchen, bathroom, home office, laundry and throughout the home. The partnership is a perfect fit with the use of only the finest materials along with quality workmanship and state of the art manufacturing equipment.



Cabinet Division manager, Evan Drisner, says that "no project is too large or too small for Nu-Fab/Kitchen Craft Cabinetry." The company takes great pride in its product offerings and is well-known for its excellent customer service and team of professional designers. The designers are available to meet with clients and provide one-on-one consultations to ensure custom cabinets built just for you. Throughout the entire process, the sales and design team provides a wide array of services, including on-site measurement and meeting; dimensioned plans and elevations; professional installation; and after-sales service.

After your initial consultation with one of the designers, a floor plan will be created and designed specifically to your needs and aesthetic preferences, as well as, a quotation based on that design. The detailed plans for your project will usually differ in concept from those done by other firms in the Saskatoon area. Drisner explains that the team at Nu-Fab/Kitchen Craft Cabinetry "strives to provide customers with a functional and aesthetically pleasing environment that will give you and your family years of enjoyment."



One of the benefits of using a cabinet manufacturer of this size is the range of choices available from beautiful solid hardwood doors to superior CraftGuard stains, glazes and paints or handsome



melamine and thermo foil finishes. Kitchen Craft also has two lines to choose from that include *Integra* and *Aurora*.

The *Aurora* line is coined as “affordable luxury,” which offers the legendary Kitchen Craft style and construction with a value-minded modular approach. A wide range of sizes, shapes, woods and finishes provide flexibility to define your unique style. Choose from 23 contemporary and traditional door styles in maple, oak, alder, cherry or easy-clean thermo foil.

The *Integra* line offers the most popular and contemporary looks in solid oak, maple, cherry and rustic alder and includes the Euro Collection and the Era Collection. The Euro line is a new collection by Kitchen Craft that focuses on an all-embracing design concept of unencumbered surfaces and shapes for easy entertaining. The styles are unconventional and modern with its unique door styles, embellishments, wood species and finishes such as bamboo, eco white oak, high-gloss solid colours and high-gloss wood tones.

Whatever your tastes, Drisner recommends you take a few minutes to sort through your ideas and gather items that will be helpful during the consultation process, for example, a rough sketch of your floor plan, house plan, magazine clippings, wish list and an outline of your budget. Whether you wish to create a kitchen, bath or office workspace, the designers will work with you to interpret your inspirations into that show-stopping, yet functional environment.

If you are interested in creating custom cabinetry for your home, you should definitely visit their showroom, which has a stunning array of kitchen, bathroom and office models that will both inspire and impress. Drisner says, “there are dozens of ways to maximize space, organize storage and create spectacular designer looks. Any one of our designers can adapt the design to the height of the cook, to disabilities and to other necessary requirements.” The designers will use their expertise to adjust the design to suit



your style and work within your budget. And their cabinetry projects don't just end with the design. Their team of professional installers can also be on-site to see your project through to its completion.

In contrast, the Era Collection encompasses styles that are classic and colonial with its chiselled Napier or Berkeley doors. Other influences include Shaker style with functional beauty that is suitable for looks from rustic to contemporary; or the golden age from turn-of-the-century to Gatsby with its pillowed rails and stiles, and details based on authentic Art Nouveau and related period décor.

Similar to misconceptions about RTM's, their cabinet products are not pre-fabricated, but best described as a semi-custom. "This is the best level for most buyers, and in fact, it is typically what most people buy," says Drisner. "In contrast to

stock cabinets, every Kitchen Craft kitchen is custom-designed and manufactured for a specific customer, not pulled from inventories like a stock cabinet is. This gives you much more control and many more design opportunities." On the "semi" side of the custom equation, Kitchen Craft cabinets are manufactured to consistent, tightly monitored standards. This ensures that you know what you will be getting. "Custom cabinets can vary significantly, can be hard to price accurately and can be very expensive," Drisner says.

With the guidance of a Nu-Fab/Kitchen Craft cabinet designer, you can transform your home into a stylish, highly efficient and organized multi-functional space. While creating the home or office cabinetry of your dreams may seem intimidating, the team at Nu-Fab/Kitchen Craft will make it easy with their personalized services and its offerings of 120 cabinetry options,

accessories and mouldings. Make your dream kitchen a reality by visiting their showroom today!

Showroom hours are Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., or by appointment.

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