

# Vexkitch Kitchen Remodeling

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## Colorful Kitchen Planning Checklist

Companion to: <https://kitchenremodelchulavistaca.com/colorful-kitchen-ideas/>

Use this one-page checklist while planning a retro or multi-color kitchen so bold choices land on purpose.

- ☐ **1. Pick your palette first**  
Choose one hero color, one supporting color, and a neutral to rest the eye. Two to three colors total keeps the room intentional.
- ☐ **2. Assign each color a zone**  
Decide upfront where each color lives: cabinets or island, appliances, and small accents (backsplash, hardware, floor).
- ☐ **3. Check undertones together**  
Hold samples side by side. Warm and cool undertones clash when they fight for the same surface.
- ☐ **4. Test large samples in your light**  
Paint or tape large swatches and view them morning, noon, and evening before committing.
- ☐ **5. Match retro appliances to the palette**  
Colored ranges and refrigerators work when they echo a color already in the room, not a new one.
- ☐ **6. Give statement surfaces room to breathe**  
Bold counters like red read best against neutral cabinets and simple backsplashes.
- ☐ **7. Mind lighting temperature**  
Warm bulbs deepen reds and yellows; cool bulbs can flatten them. Test under the bulbs you will actually use.
- ☐ **8. Keep the big-ticket items adaptable**  
If resale matters, put the boldest color where it is easiest to change later (paint, island) rather than everywhere.
- ☐ **9. Order extra paint and material**  
Keep touch-up paint and an extra tile or two stored for future repairs.
- ☐ **10. Walk the room for chaos points**  
Step back and scan: if three things compete for attention, move one color out.