Use the "one third" rule to select pull length for cabinets and drawers

You've picked beautiful pulls for the new kitchen cabinets. Now how do you decide what pull length looks best? And is it OK to use more than one length of pull on the cabinets?

Cabinet knobs are fine, and often used. Cabinet pulls give a sleek visually appealing look to cabinet doors and drawers. What usually looks best is a pull length that is about 1/3 the height of the cabinet door and 1/3 the width of the cabinet drawer. Your eyes follow the length of the pull up the height of the door or across the width of the drawer.

Pulls don't have to all be the same length as long as the pull design is the same. Use a long pull for tall cabinets and wide drawers, and use a medium length pull for shorter cabinets and narrower drawers.

Use these quick tips:

- Longer pulls give cabinet doors a sleek look
- Pull lengths that are about 1/3 the height of the cabinet doors usually looks best
- On wide drawers, longer pulls about 1/3 the width of the drawer usually look best

An economical choice is to use only knobs, or to use knobs on upper cabinets and shorter pulls on lower cabinets



Using all pulls gives a more streamlined look



Use the "one third" rule to select pull length. Select longer pulls to visually complement the vertical lines of the cabinet doors and the horizontal lines of the cabinet drawers, giving a sleek look to the kitchen cabinets.



