

Particle Board vs. Plywood Cabinets

	Particle Board	Plywood
Composition	Compressed wood chips with resin	Layers of thin wood veneer glued in a crisscross pattern
Appearance	Smooth, even surface	Visible wood grain (may show through paint/veneer)
Durability	Less water-resistant, susceptible to damage	More water-resistant, very strong
Workability	Easy to cut and drill, poor screw-holding over time	More difficult to cut/drill (requires stronger tools), excellent screw-holding
Lifespan	3-15 years	20-30 years
Price	More affordable	More expensive
Sustainability	Recyclable depending on the resin type	More sustainable, often uses faster-growing wood species