

Desk Hutches

1 Always order the hutch from the same product series as the desk
The most common hutch return or complaint is a finish mismatch. Even a minor color difference is immediately visible when the hutch sits directly on the desk. Order both together from the same series. If adding later, get a finish sample first.

3 Verify monitor height before specifying the hutch height
A tall hutch with a large monitor is a common conflict. Total height of a 27"-34" monitor on a stand can reach 18"-22" — taller than many hutch clearances. Confirm the monitor model and stand height before recommending any hutch.

5 The combination hutch (open + closed) is the correct default recommendation
Most users need both: frequently accessed items on open shelves and stored items behind closed doors. Unless the buyer specifically requests all-open or all-closed, the combination hutch is right for the widest range of users.

7 A bridge hutch over the corner is the highest-value hutch for L-shaped workstations
The corner of an L-desk is the most natural overhead storage location. A bridge hutch spans both surfaces, using the corner overhead space that would otherwise remain empty. For any L-shaped workstation with adequate room height, this is the optimal configuration.

9 Specify locking hutch doors for HR, legal, or financial private offices
Many private office employees keep sensitive documents in their hutch. A locking door provides basic but meaningful security at small incremental cost. Recommend locking doors for any client in a regulated industry or role.

2 Flipper doors are the right door style in 90% of commercial applications
Hinged doors on a hutch swing outward — directly into the user's face at eye level. Flipper doors glide up and back into the cabinet body, opening the full face without intrusion. Always specify flipper doors over hinged doors.

4 A task light rail on the hutch is not optional in interior offices
In offices without windows, overhead lighting rarely illuminates the desk surface adequately — especially with a hutch shadow. The under-hutch task light solves this directly. Always include it for any interior office configuration.

6 For window-adjacent desks, a low-profile open hutch preserves natural light
Natural light from a window behind a desk is highly valued. A tall closed hutch blocks a significant portion of the window. For window desks, specify a low-profile open-shelf hutch (12"-14") that adds storage without reducing natural light.

8 Hutch shelf depth should not exceed 14" for standard desks
At 14" deep, the hutch leaves adequate open desk depth at the back. At 16"+, it intrudes on the primary work area and makes it difficult to position items. Unless the buyer needs deep storage for large items, specify 12"-14".

10 The hutch transforms a desk into a complete workstation — always recommend it
A desk alone provides surface area. A desk with a hutch provides surface area plus vertical organization plus a zone for reference materials and professional display. For anyone spending 8+ hours daily at the workstation, the hutch makes it complete.