

Executive Desks

1 Ships fully assembled is the most important spec for executive desks
Executive desks are heavy (220-285 lbs), complex, and have visible veneer or laminate surfaces that can be scratched during assembly. Fully assembled delivery eliminates this risk entirely.

3 A credenza adds 60-70 sqft of work and storage surface behind the executive
The credenza creates a secondary work surface (typically 68in x 21in) and doubles the storage drawer count. It is the most effective way to expand a private office without a larger desk.

5 Wire management grommets should be specified on all executive desks with monitors
Executive offices often have premium visible surfaces where cable runs are especially noticeable. Grommets allow cables to route cleanly through the desk surface rather than dangling off the edges.

7 The matching hutch with doors is the cleanest overhead storage solution
An enclosed hutch with wood doors hides papers, binders, and personal items from visitor view. Open hutches save cost but require the executive to maintain a visible, organized surface at all times.

9 Confirm door swing clearance before finalizing desk placement
A 68-70in wide desk in a 12x12 office can block an interior door swing if placed incorrectly. Map door arc, desk position, and chair pullout before finalizing placement.

2 Always specify the complete suite at order time -- not piecemeal
Executive suite components (desk, credenza, hutch, lateral file) must match finish lots from the same manufacturer run. Ordering components separately at different times risks visible finish differences.

4 Built-in power centers in credenzas are worth specifying for high-connectivity offices
Premium credenza models include AC outlets and USB/C charging ports integrated into the surface. This eliminates power strip clutter and keeps cables managed below the visible work area.

6 Veneer construction requires more careful placement than laminate
Veneer surfaces can be damaged by direct sunlight, humidity changes, and sharp impacts in ways that laminate is not. Confirm office environmental conditions before specifying veneer over laminate.

8 Executive desks are long-term investments -- treat the spec process accordingly
Unlike task furniture replaced every 5-7 years, executive suites are typically in place for 10-20 years. Time spent on finish samples, scale drawings, and configuration review is fully justified.

10 Ball bearing drawer slides on executive desks are non-negotiable for daily use
Executive users access file and utility drawers dozens of times per day. Heavy-duty ball bearing slides that open and close silently and smoothly signal quality and prevent the daily irritation of sticking drawers.