Beveled Edge Adds Modern Twist to Glass-Look Cabinets

Any gem or rock can be beautiful on its own, in its rawest form. The nuances of a piece – its colors, variations and reflections – are what make it unique and appealing to the eye.

But taking what nature provided and elevating it through cutting, polishing, carving and honing is a true art form, one mastered by a select few. These experts use their skills to deliver exceptional pieces whose value far surpasses nature’s original offering.

When it comes to gems such as diamonds, it is the quality, cut and shape that determine its ultimate worth. A master gemcutter takes the diamond in its raw form and works carefully, shaping and polishing until the ideal look is achieved. The facets are arranged to make sure the right amount of light enters the diamond, as well as reflects from the diamond. The color and facets of the perfected gem deliver an exquisite dance of light and shadows unique to its surroundings.

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Just as the facets and cut add dimension and interest to a diamond, the right details and angles on a cabinet enhance a room’s overall design. When those details are on a cabinet that adds light and polish to a space, the feeling portrayed can be opulent, yet modern and airy.

REHAU is embracing the concept of detail for the contemporary cabinet with the addition of a beveled edge to its popular RAUVISIO crystal cabinet door line. The edge adds an element of depth to the existing pieces, yielding that play of light reminiscent of fine gems. The cool, hard surface itself reflects light, making the overall space feel larger.

Shiny surfaces are a staple in rooms with a contemporary flair, and high-gloss cabinets and backpainted glass are among the major players in those designs. REHAU’s line has long made a statement in ultra-modern kitchens, baths and other rooms, and the addition of a beveled edge option will allow for even more drama and style.

RAUVISIO crystal is well known for its ultra-glossy surface – one that mimics backpainted glass, which produces a glass look that is backed by a solid color rather than translucent. REHAU delivers the acrylic glass surface combined with matching REHAU LaserEdge, providing a seamless glassy finish.

The line takes advantage of the properties of polymers to provide the beauty of real glass, but with superior durability and ease of handling. The sleek shine of glass is presented in a lightweight, durable polymer that is colorfast and resistant to scratching, UV light, warping, heat and humidity. The surface is also 10 times more break resistant than real glass, and can act as both a chalkboard and whiteboard that wipes easily, leaving no marker smudges.

Available in high-gloss or frosted matte fronts, the cabinets are offered in a range of colors and patterns. The timeless tones were created by designer, artist and renowned color expert Professor Axel Venn, who used a process that involved mixing 700 colors by hand to create the shades, which he describes as “…inspiring and calming at the same time…created to be passed on through the generations.” The colors chosen – Fumo, Menta and Sabbia – harmonize perfectly with one another and with other shades and materials.

Printed-color patterns, including marbles and stone effects, were also added to RAUVISIO crystal last year. Marmo Bianco, Marmo Nero and Legno Sbiancato reflect the look of marble and concrete for a nature-inspired touch.

REHAU also delivers the new beveled edge on its RAUVISIO crystal mirror doors, a decorative mirror solution that is lightweight, easily processed and shatter resistant. Made from a polymer acrylic material, the mirror solution can add a decorative finish to surfaces, providing a high reflectivity without breakage risk.

For more information on REHAU’s surface options, visit na.rehau.com/crystal.