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Elegant cabinet knobs that only look expensive

Make over your cook space in a day with low-cost, high-impact hardware

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No money for a major kitchen redo? Got a sense of style that dwarfs your budget? We know the feeling. Which is why we went on the hunt for fancy—yet affordable—cabinet hardware to upgrade the look without the expense of an overhaul. What we found are truly special knobs in a range of styles and sophisticated finishes, from traditional aged bronze with elaborate engravings to updated pewter and satin-nickel versions with crisp, clean lines. Here, 18 high-class cabinet knobs, not one of which is more than 10 bucks, with most being far cheaper. And the best part is, we can keep those prices between us.

swirling leaf

BELWITH KEELER

Size: 1½-inch diameter

Made of: Zinc with a bronze finish

Cost: \$4.79; vandykes.com



radiating rings

ALLEN + ROTH

Size: 1¼-inch diameter

Made of: Zinc with a satin-nickel finish

Cost: \$3.33; lowes.com



silvery filigree

LIBERTY HARDWARE

Size: 1½-inch diameter

Made of: Zinc with a matte-nickel finish

Cost: \$2.99; homedepot.com



copper boxes

BERENSON HARDWARE

Size: 1½-inch diameter

Made of: Zinc with a copper finish

Cost: \$9.98; cabinetparts.com

classic melon

BALDWIN HARDWARE

Size: 1½-inch diameter

Made of: Solid brass with a satin-and-black finish

Cost: \$9.80; gracioushome.com



hammered dome

HÄFELE

Size: 1¼-inch diameter

Made of: Zinc with a pewter finish

Cost: \$2.59; myknobs.com

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vintage floral

VANDYKE'S RESTORERS

Size: 1¼-inch diameter

Made of: Solid brass

Cost: \$6.49; vandykes.com



beaded and cupped

CKP BRAND

Size: 1½-inch diameter

Made of: Zinc with an antiqued-pewter finish

Cost: \$3.08; coolknobsandpulls.com

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ribbon and reed

BERENSON HARDWARE

Size: 1¼-inch diameter

Made of: Zinc with a bronze finish

Cost: \$7.88; www.berensonhardware.com

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bordered weave

HICKORY HARDWARE

Size: 1¼-inch diameter

Made of: Zinc with a pewter finish

Cost: \$5.89; menards.com



modern fluting

ATLAS HOMEWARES

Size: 1½-inch diameter

Made of: Zinc with a pewter finish

Cost: \$6.80; atlashomewares.com