AMANA® APPLIANCES 101
HOW TO PICK YOUR DISHWASHER

Don’t put off shopping for a new dishwasher because it feels like a tough decision. This cheat sheet from Amana brand can help you understand the basics and provide a place for you to keep notes during the process. It still might not be fun, but you’ll have help with the dishes in no time.

Amana® Dishwasher Types

STANDARD TUB
• Less interior room due to placement of the motor and pump
• Typically lower in price with basic cleaning features
• Tower-feed wash system moves water through a tower in the middle of the dishwasher tub. Dishes have to be loaded so that there is space for the tower
• No hard food disposer

TALL TUB
• More interior room due to the placement of the motor and pump—an extra 3”
• More room in the top and bottom racks for tall pitchers and large plates and platters
• Direct-feed wash system does not use a tower so there is more room in both racks for dishes
• A hard food disposer helps reduce the need to prerinse dishes

Terms of the Trade

ENERGY STAR® QUALIFIED
• Helps save money on utility bills
• Uses less water and energy than non-qualified models
• All Amana brand dishwashers are ENERGY STAR® qualified.

FLEXIBLE PLACEMENT SILVERWARE BASKETS
• Basket loading options can be in either rack or in the door
• More capacity in the racks if baskets fit in door

SOUND DAMPENING SYSTEM
• Provides quiet operation
• Sound systems are typically rated by dBA—the measurement of sound in decibels. The lower the number the quieter the dishwasher
To Do List

- Make a short list of likes/dislikes about your current dishwasher
- Measure the space for a new dishwasher as well as any doorways or hallways the appliances must fit through
- Think about how often you will run the dishwasher. Would a Rinse Only cycle be useful for those times when you take dishes out of storage?
- Using your likes/dislikes list, space available and budget, decide whether you want a standard or tall tub dishwasher
- Visit amana.com to find your nearest Amana® retailer. Be sure and take your measurements and likes/dislikes list with you when you go shopping

Things to Think About

- Now might be the perfect time to add a garbage disposal in your kitchen since a plumber and electrician may be there to install the dishwasher.

Notes

Measurements

Appliances
Height Width Depth

Cutout Space
Height Width Depth

Be sure and note the width of any doorways your new appliance must fit through.

Nearest Amana® Retailer