

Giving your kitchen or bar area an update might not be as expensive as you think; consider these savvy design tips from **TILE AFRICA**

Tiles are always in *Style*

Fashions come and go, but tiles remain one of the most practical and creative ways to add colour and texture to your kitchen or bar area, giving it a stylish new look. Whether you're planning a complete overhaul, or just want a quick update, follow these tips from **TILE AFRICA** to create a winning design:

- Use colourful glass mosaics as a decorative splashback behind the work surface, stove and sink. If you have a limited budget, add a row of mosaic tiles in an accent colour as a horizontal border above the existing wall tiles.
- Changing the existing wall tiles will give the space a fresh, contemporary feel. A less expensive option is to create an eye-catching feature wall by tiling only one wall with new tiles.
- Replace outdated fittings like the sink and mixer set with modern versions for an instant update.
- For a trendy look, opt for smooth, glossy polished porcelain tiles in large sizes, like 600 x 600mm or 800 x 800mm. Look out for those with a nanotechnology finish; this creates a durable, bacteria-, dirt- and slip-resistant surface.
- When selecting floor tiles, keep in mind that kitchens are high-traffic areas; slightly darker coloured or patterned tiles will be more forgiving in terms of dirt and spills. The most durable floor tiles will have a PEI (Porcelain Enamel Institute) rating of four.

TILE AFRICA offers a wide range of mosaic, ceramic, porcelain and natural stone tiles as well as sinks, prep bowls, taps and mixer sets to kit out your kitchen and bar area – visit any one of their 37 retail outlets nationwide.

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