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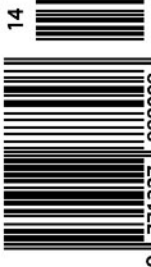
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FROM THE EDITOR

Designer Ivan Chermayeff once said, "Design is directed toward human beings. To design is to solve human problems by identifying them and executing the best solution."

While he was talking particularly about graphic design, I think the idea of design solving a multitude of problems is equally applicable in the kitchen design industry. We have high expectations of our kitchen designers and rightly so because we need them to not only understand our unique family makeup, but to create a design and layout that meets our needs now as well as into the future.

Kitchen Yearbook is our opportunity to celebrate all types of kitchen design and we've worked hard to assemble a fabulous selection of kitchens across a range of styles. As editor, it's such a pleasure to engage with fantastic kitchen design all year and that's why I put together a special feature of my favourites from the last 12 months. Take a look from page 40 to see what I chose.

Sue Ismiel, of Nads fame, talked to deputy editor Suzy Michael about how her humble kitchen was transformed into a laboratory that created the "green goo" we know today. It's a fascinating read that starts on page 33.

Our Style Report this issue features four engaging personalities who share their secrets for great style: the entrepreneur — Mindi Chisholm, from Zafino, the designer — Stacey Kouros, from Stacey Kouros Design, the stylist — Bree Oliver, from Oliver Interiors & Styling, and the chef — Guillaume Brahimi, from Guillaume at Bennalong. You'll find their incredible insights from page 56 onwards.

Planning any kitchen design can be a daunting experience, but there are well-qualified kitchen designers available who can make the process much easier on you and your family. Feel free to use this resource to gather ideas to take to your design meetings and good luck with your renovation.

Enjoy!

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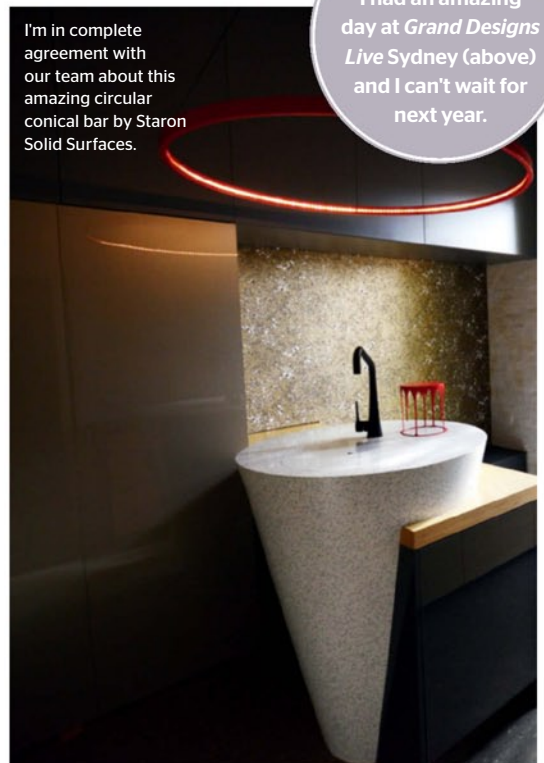
Sue Ismiel's story is fascinating — from humble beginnings to a multi-million dollar empire.



EDITOR'S PICK

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GRAND DESIGNS LIVE SYDNEY

This year's *Grand Designs Live* in Sydney was an incredible mix of amazing ideas with so much to see and do in every section of the show. The guest speakers were very informative and engaging and the show was packed with Sydneysiders keen to get inspired for their next renovation. One of our favourite stands at the show was from Zip, which also stationed its chilled and sparkling water taps throughout the show for thirsty attendees. The "roof" of the Zip stand was adorned with plastic bottles to represent the 3000 bottles of water an average family of four would consume in a year, while the "flower pots" were actually recycled parts from the internals of Zip's hot-water systems. Zip HydroTap product ambassador, Jamie Durie, had the idea to include the plastic bottles as well as the re-purposed internal fittings.



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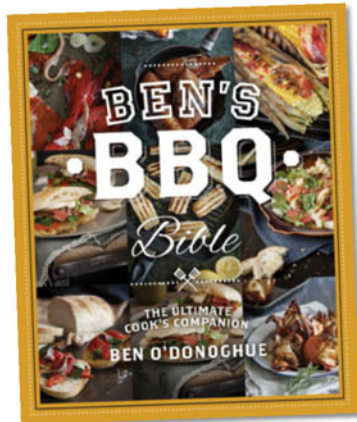
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Words & styling Suzy Michael Photography Sue Stubbs

She's a successful business woman who migrated to Australia 40 years ago, possessed no business skills but created an empire through her intense desire to help her daughter. Nad's began as a simple product sold through supermarkets but grew into a global, multi-million-dollar company over the past 21 years. Sue Ismiel relates how her humble beginnings saw her kitchen transform into a laboratory to create the "green goo" that today resonates with women worldwide

Suzy: Tell me about yourself and your upbringing.

Sue: I actually came to Australia (from Syria) at the age of 15. It was very hard because I didn't speak a word of English and I was actually beaten up by a group of girls because I couldn't speak the language! They were tough times but they were the tough times that made me strong. I was lucky enough to be born to loving parents. They did everything they could to provide for their family and we lived a modest life, full of love and care. My best childhood memories are of the times I couldn't go to sleep unless I fell asleep in my grandfather's arms first, and that memory is still with me. Quite often, when times are tough, I visualise myself in his arms smelling that old, beautiful odour that told you that everything is beautiful.

Suzy: So did that motivate you to start your own business?

Sue: I actually started the business because of a problem that my daughter had – the unwanted hair problem. One day, I decided to turn my famous kitchen into a laboratory! I started mixing, adding and deleting every sticky, gooey item that I could find in my kitchen cupboard. I used every pot and every pan. I was on a mission and I just had to solve her problem. I didn't create this formula to start a business initially. But then I started telling people about it and I became very excited about what I had created and how I solved my daughter's problem. Soon my friends at work and family wanted to use the product, and that's when the idea entered my head. I thought, "Hmm, I could do something with this." So I began thinking about how to start a business. I'd never sold anything in my life. I'd never had any business experience, skills or any financial backing. All I had was drive and determination and a seed – an idea that I would achieve success. So I kept making wax on my kitchen stove – it's a very tiny pot, mind you. But that pot just kept growing over the years. And today that manufacturing plant is two-storeys high.







Suzy: I take it your favourite kitchen appliance is...

Sue: My stove! Yes, it's definitely my stove. It enabled me to turn something into a reality. When I look at my stove, I know I can create. I know I can come up with amazing recipes and ... yeah, my stove is my favourite. Actually, cooking a wax in my kitchen earned me the Woman of Style Award. Who would've thought that cooking wax in your kitchen would make you stylish?

Suzy: What's your favourite meal that you love to cook?

Sue: I love my vegetarian cabbage rolls. Full of chickpeas and dill and that aroma that fills the kitchen. My daughters love me cooking an Egyptian dish for them, called molokheia, which is a green soup. And they can keep it in their fridge for days. Once I cooked a very exotic dessert called knafeh in the office kitchen. My staff just loved the vanilla smell and the sweet fragrance that was circulating throughout the building. But, I would have to say, I absolutely love cooking. I love spending time in my kitchen and cooking for everyone.

Suzy: What's your favourite design element of your kitchen?

Sue: Well, in my kitchen, all I have to do is look up and see the most amazing and best view in the world – Sydney Harbour. And I just get lost in it while I cook and smell the aroma of the food. It's a wonderful experience.

Suzy: So when you chose this apartment, what were the top-three non-negotiable, must-have features?

Sue: Definitely the view! This panoramic view with the eye-level Harbour Bridge just there in your face is something I could never turn away from. I love the fact there's a 24-hour concierge service here. I'm always

interacting with friendly faces and they're there for me all the time. And the third element is the gym, spa and sauna downstairs. It's like a resort. It's a beautiful place to live in and that's why I chose this particular apartment.

Suzy: Many of our readers run their own business. What's your strategy or advice for growing your own brand?

Sue: Have a go. You've got nothing to lose but so much to gain. Believe in your idea. A new idea seems unrealistic in your own mind, let alone trying to explain it to others. You're probably surrounded by so many doubters so avoid them. Once you've convinced yourself, go for it and give it everything you have – that's what I did. When I decided to turn this amazing formula into a business, I'd close my eyes and I'd visualise the success and I'd see ... all of this! So I created ways to do it. My advice is that sometimes you try, sometimes you fail and sometimes you win. When you fail, what is the learning experience? What can you gain from that situation? From that point, you become stronger and you can go places because of the mistakes you've encountered. So what do you do? You find solutions and you continue growing.

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- Sue Ismiel now sells more than 10 types of hair-removal products internationally and has six laser clinics across Sydney



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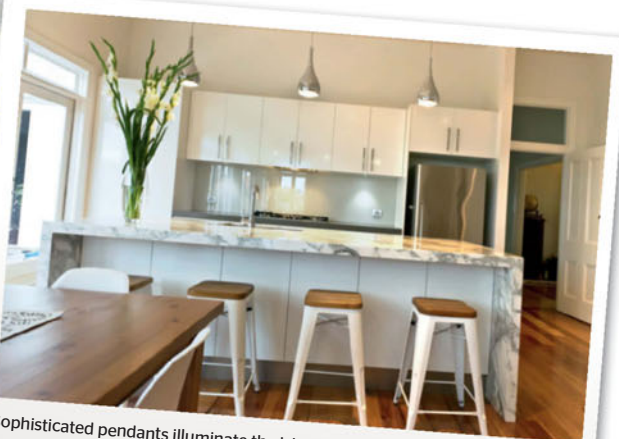


LED strip lights feature on the breakfast bar with spotlights overhead. melbournecontemporarykitchens.com



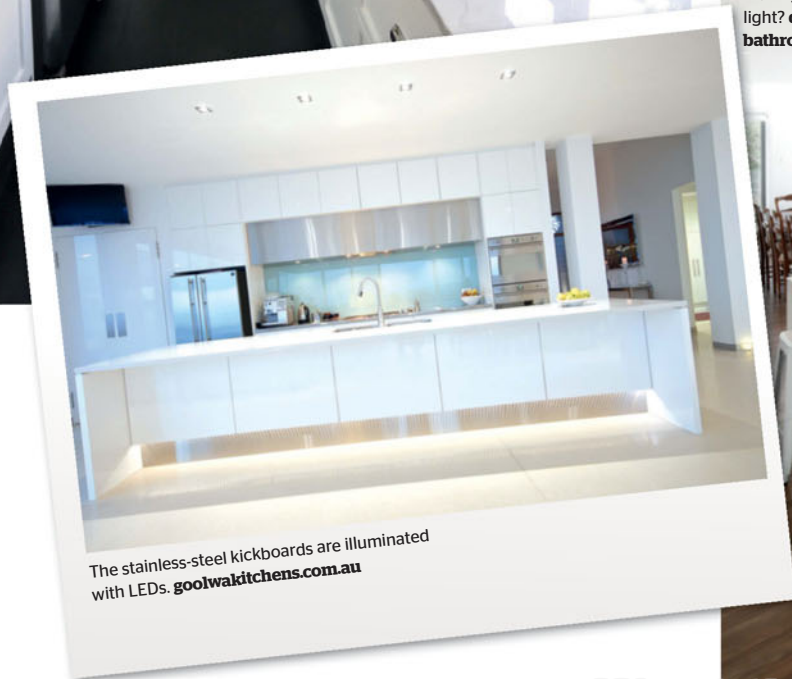
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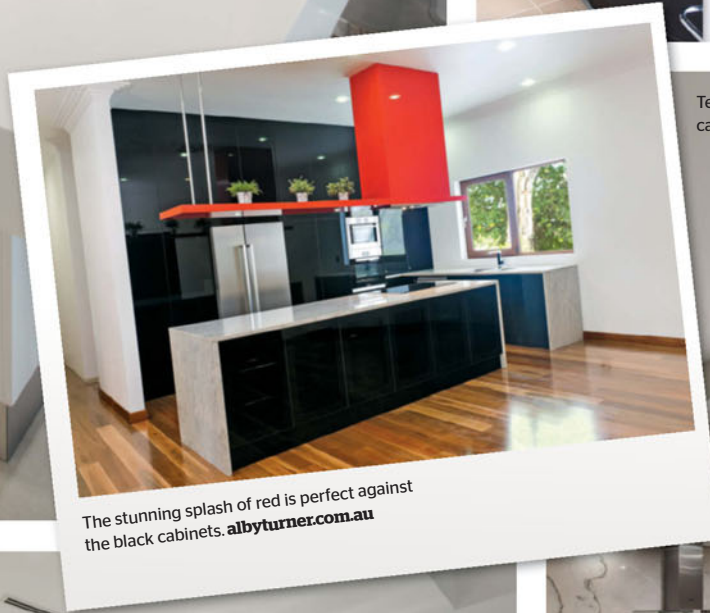
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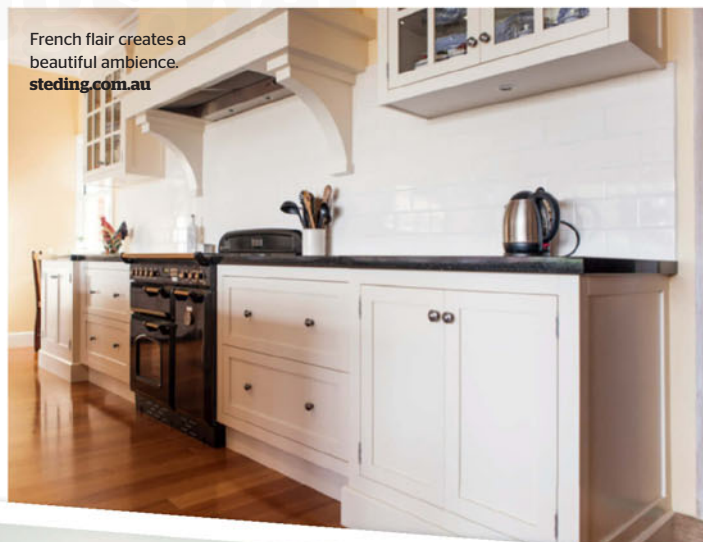
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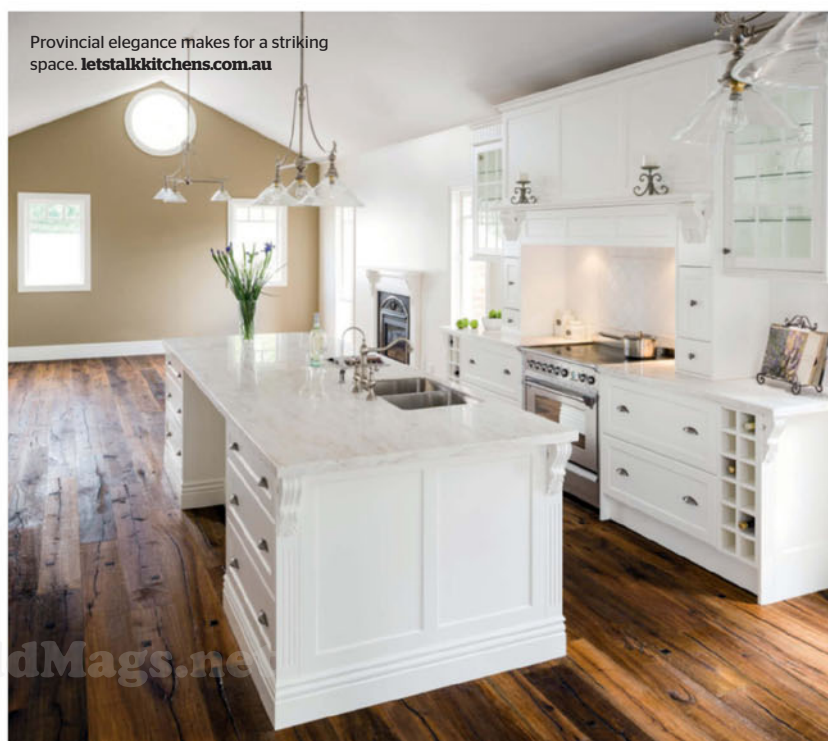


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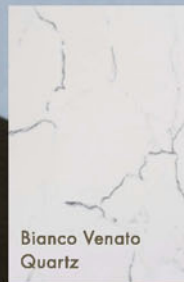
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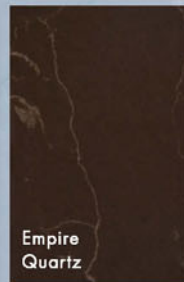
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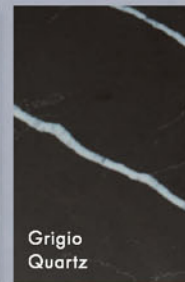
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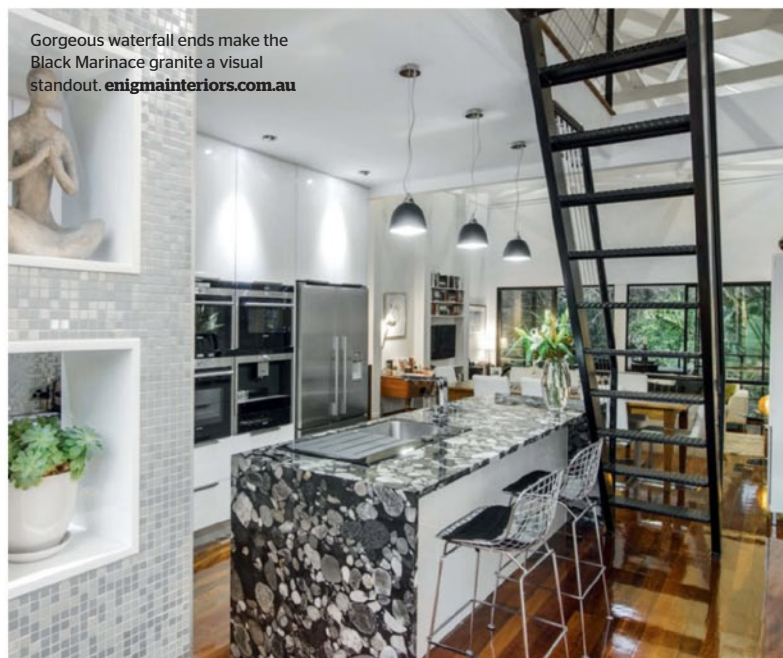


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Isaac Moussa, editorial assistant: I love colour and I love coffee... what a winning combination to wake up to every morning. With the press of a button, a coffee capsule and a steam wand all in a compact design, playing barista has become my morning routine.



Suzy Michael, deputy editor: Convenient lifestyle meets obligatory duties. Zip's ingenious design of incorporating filtered water as chilled, sparkling, boiling and room-temperature meets every requirement in my hectic schedule. I'm celebrating with a chilled sparkling raspberry drink!





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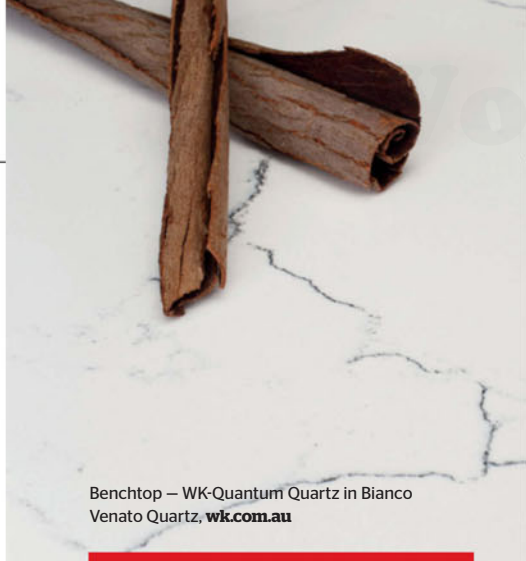
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"Being an entrepreneur, I keep a classic style with a neutral colour palette. My laptop bag is my mobile office so it connects my corporate lifestyle with being a mum. I'm a real planner – my kitchen needs to be large, organised and family friendly. I balance my time between family and work by using efficient and automatic appliances. I simply can't live without my dishwasher and Thermomix! The most important design element in my kitchen is my large bench space, made from composite stone. It gives me the luxurious marble look with a maintainable surface. It's also an enduring material that won't go out of vogue ... a classic."

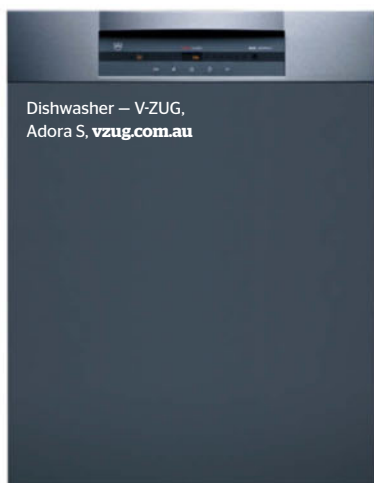
Mindi Chisholm, founder/owner





Benchtop – WK-Quantum Quartz in Bianco Venato Quartz, wk.com.au

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Dishwasher – V-ZUG, Adora S, vzug.com.au



↑ Oven and rangehood – Schweigen, 120cm each, stainless steel, schweigen.com.au



Tapware and sink – Abey Australia, abey.com.au



← Dishwasher accessories – Fairy Platinum dishwashing tablets, fairydish.com.au

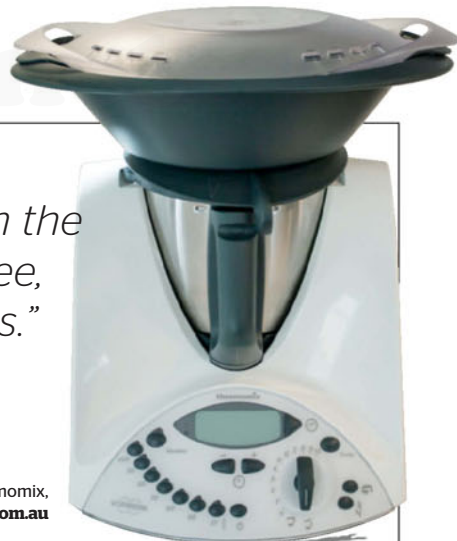


Cabinetry – Dan Kitchens, dankitchens.com.au

“My favourite recipe is a mushroom risotto made in the Thermomix – it’s hands-free, very quick and so delicious.”



↑ Thermomix, thermomix.com.au



Wall colour – Dulux Timeless Grey, dulux.com.au



↑ Fridge – Electrolux 690L stainless steel, electrolux.com.au



Zafino London Laptop Tote, zafino.com.au



STYLE: THE DESIGNER

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"My favourite appliances are the Marc Newson oven and cooktop by Smeg, especially in white and gold. They're a little quirky, square, with corners slightly curved. It's the small details that make the pieces really stand out for me. My favourite recipe is Neil Perry's spicy grilled squid salad – very time consuming, but half the enjoyment of eating a home-cooked meal is preparing it. My top-three kitchen must-haves are fresh seasonal produce, good-looking appliances and fittings, and beautiful accessories. Appliances need to be practical, functional and suited to the overall look of your kitchen. I like to treat my kitchens with gorgeous, eclectic accessories such as the Michael Graves and Tom Dixon ranges."

Stacey Kouros, founder/owner



Lighting – Spence and Lyda,
George Nelson Bubble lamp ball,
spenceandlyda.com.au

↑ Kitchen appliances – Sunbeam, Fiesta Folding
Mixmaster in pink, sunbeam.com.au

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Wall colour –
Dulux, Retro
Visionaries range,
dulux.com.au

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↗ Kitchen stool – Great
Dane Furniture, Smed stool,
greatdaneffurniture.com

← Kitchen accessories –
Dedee, Tom Dixon Eclectic
range, dedee.com

↗ Dining table and accessories
– Magic Kitchens & Furniture,
magickitchensandfurniture.com.au

↗ Kitchen small
appliances – Peters of
Kensington, Alessi –
Michael Graves collection,
petersofkensington.com

↘ Oven and cooktop –
Smeg, Greg Natale range,
smeg.com.au

↑ Splashback – Gasparre Tiles, Carrara
Marble, gasparretiles.com.au

← Rug – Designer Rugs, Greg Natale Oxford,
designerrugs.com.au

Benchtop – Caesarstone, Classico
Ocean Foam, caesarstone.com.au

"My husband
and I are into
sports and
fitness ... I think
it's important
to have some
form of release
outside of work,
especially
relating to health
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"I grew up in the tropics surrounded by colour and light. Travel inspired me to create beauty through styling. I can't go past an island bench in a kitchen. It draws people into the room and into a conversation. My ideal kitchen has a strong bistro feel, with subway tiles, open shelving, minimal overhead cabinets and Calacatta or Carrara marble benchtops. A kitchen needs to be open to the main living area of the home and have a butler's pantry to conceal prep work, clutter and accommodate a second sink. Good tapware is vital. The Perrin and Rowe range with the additional spray rinses are my number-one choice. Not only are they supremely beautiful, they're practical and wonderfully crafted. However, my ILVE stove takes pride and place in the kitchen; it's an object of beauty and really is the heart of the home. I have two young children and work part-time, so a well-designed kitchen is crucial to help with the juggle. Our kitchen truly is the hub of our home. It serves many purposes: a laboratory for my work, a study, an entertaining space and it's my kids' hang-out area." **Bree Oliver, founder/owner**

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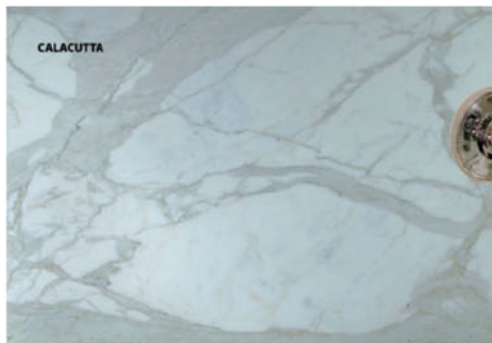
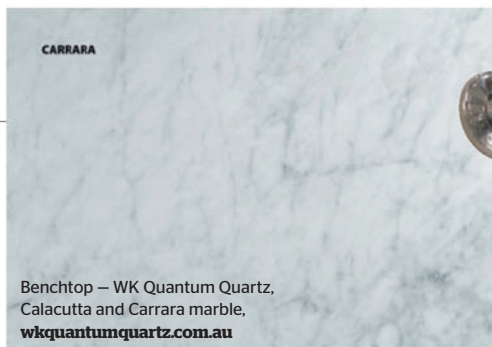
breeoliver@netspace.net.au

"When styling a kitchen, I think there's a fine line to tread between lived-in and cluttered." — **Bree Oliver**

BREE'S TOP-THREE STYLING TIPS:

1. Display produce in an innovative way to create an edible masterpiece. Instead of the boring old fruit bowl, use a large rattan tray with sides and fill it with bulbs of garlic, herbs tied with string and pops of coloured vegetables.
2. Well-designed appliances, such as a Mixmaster, act like a sculpture on the benchtop.
3. Flowers or foliage breathe life into the space.





↑ Cabinet handles – Pearl Lighting and Brassware, pearllighting.com.au



↑ Cooktop and oven – ILVE, Nostalgie Teppanyaki cooktop with gas or electric oven, ilve.com.au

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← Kitchen Mixer – Kitchen Aid, Platinum Stand Mixer in Cafe Latte, perini.com.au



← Splashback – Perini Tiles, Bevel Snow, perini.com.au

→ Lighting – Schots Home Emporium, Stockton Retro Rod pendant, schots.com.au



↓ Sink – Reece, Afa Undermount double sink, reece.com.au



Cabinetry – Ashtrees Joinery, custom-made cabinetry, ashtrees.com.au



↓ Rattan tray – Peters of Kensington, rattan square serving tray, petersofkensington.com.au



↑ Wall colour – Dulux, Vivid White, dulux.com.au



↑ Tapware – The English Tapware Company, Perrin and Rowe Ionian with sprayer, englishtapware.com.au



"My mother and grandmother inspired me to become a chef – I just seemed to gravitate to the kitchen when they were cooking. I love cooking with my Tefal Heritage Pot Roast Pan – great for braising. But my Del Ben knives and the humble wooden spoon complete the experience. My ideal kitchen would have space (like my Sydney restaurant) and an open design (as with my Melbourne and Perth restaurants). I can see all aspects: from the kitchen to the floor to the customer. I love creating a range of dishes ... in my Sydney restaurant, I enjoy crafting the fine-dining dishes. But at home, I love the sharing meals – the ones to enjoy with my family and friends. I can't go past a simple roast chicken with pomme fondant – delicious and homey. Cooking should be one of life's enjoyments. I travel a lot and I miss home so much. But when I'm home, I try to be as present as possible with my wife, three daughters and little man. I also try to fit some exercise into my week to keep me centred and composed."

Guillaume Brahimi, chef/owner



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"What I love most about cooking is the breadth of people you meet. Food has a way of bringing people together, which amazes me to this day. I've met so many people over the years and I think that's such a privilege." — **Guillaume Brahimi**

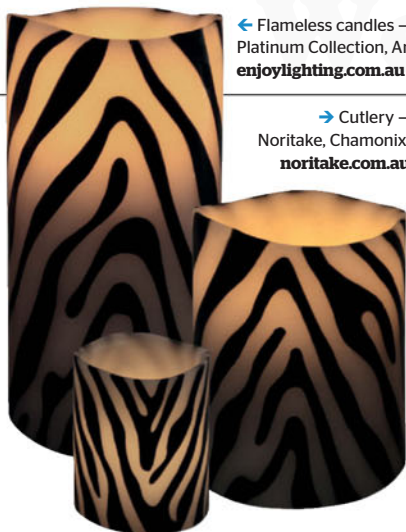


"A perfect kitchen is set up and equipped with the very best – knives, appliances, ovens and stoves – and then backed with an inspiring and motivated kitchen brigade."



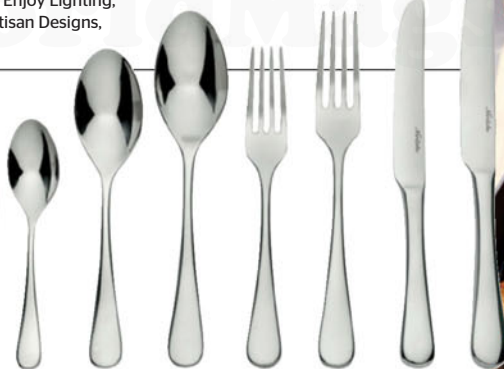
GUILLAUME'S TOP-THREE MEAL PREPARATION TIPS:

1. Plan ahead.
2. Clean as you go. I have never met anyone who enjoys the clean-up at the end!
3. Appoint a sous chef. At home, I ask one of my daughters to help me – even if it's just chatting to me as I prepare dinner or getting the plates out.



← Flameless candles — Enjoy Lighting, Platinum Collection, Artisan Designs, enjoylighting.com.au

→ Cutlery — Noritake, Chamonix, noritake.com.au



Cookery — Tefal, French Heritage pot roast, tefal.com.au

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↑ Shelving — IKEA, FLYTTA stainless-steel kitchen trolley, ikea.com.au



→ Oven and cooktop — Winning Appliances, Gaggenau 76cm stainless-steel Pyro oven and Gaggenau 90cm Professional five-burner gas cooktop, winningappliances.com.au



← Drum round dining table — golden teak surface with carved base
Dining table and chairs — Taste Living, Drum round dining table with golden teak surface; Cruiser dining chair with chrome frame, tasteliving.com.au



Splashback — Pressed Tin Panels, small brick, pressedtinpanels.com



Copper pots — Copper Kitchen, 20cm sauté spherical, copperkitchen.com.au



↓ Wine cooler — Euro Appliances, 430L wine cooler, euroappliances.com.au



Benchtop — Sydney Kitchens, stainless steel, sydneykitchens.com.au



Glass windows — Viridian, Comfort Hush, viridianglass.com.au



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A PEOPLE PERSON

KBDi Australian Kitchen Designer of the Year 2013 winner, Lee Hardcastle, shares his passion for this ever-evolving industry

When Lee embarked on his journey in the kitchen design industry 24 years ago, he was following the advice of his grandmother who suggested cabinetmaking as a career. "She knew how much I loved creating things and working with wood," explains Lee. "But I had absolutely no idea what a cabinetmaker did!"

Nevertheless, Lee completed his apprenticeship and went on to work for several companies. It became clear quite soon, however, that Lee had higher goals. "I decided the only way I'd ever be fully happy in my career would be to work for myself. My wife and I formed our company in 1997 and, immediately, I started being more experimental with design and pushing boundaries," he says.

Lee is understandably proud of his KBDi Design2013 Australian Kitchen Designer of the Year Award, as it's further proof that the business and design philosophy in which he so passionately believes also resonates with his clients and within the industry. A multi-award winner for many years, Lee understands there is no set formula or recipe for design and that only by pushing himself to stay at the top of the industry will he continue to be awarded such accolades.

As part of his ongoing professional development, Lee strives to discover inventive features, aspects of cutting-edge design and improved methods of construction, and constantly challenges himself to distance his designs from others. He stays on top of new design trends and works hard to introduce new concepts into his designs at all times.

"I believe every room should have good balance, functionality, intrigue and instant appeal," he says. "When renovating, I'm never satisfied until the design truly transforms the home and thoroughly excites my client." He firmly believes each design should be a pleasure to use and look at and should make the best use of the available space.

The industry was a very different place 24 years ago and Lee is proud of the evolution and changes he has seen over the years. "I remember back to when kitchens were built from a builder's plan of just basic lines sitting on a home plan," he laughs. "We are lucky that we now have much more emphasis on design in Australia together with the technology that allows designers to create full photographic-quality images or video walk-throughs."

Lee also credits the increase in the availability of materials and appliances with the growth of the industry. He notes, too, that kitchens and bathrooms have increased in size, with more of us now inclined to entertain at home, so it's understandable that homeowners want kitchens to suit this gourmet lifestyle.

"I really appreciate that you can succeed in this industry while remaining a small, manageable family business," he adds. "I love working closely with each client, guiding them every step of the way so they can achieve their dream design, overcoming challenges and confidently offering them assurance."

It's this dedication that has brought Lee the incredible success he has enjoyed for the past 24 years and with his crowning as KBDi's Australian Kitchen Designer of the Year 2013, that success is sure to continue.



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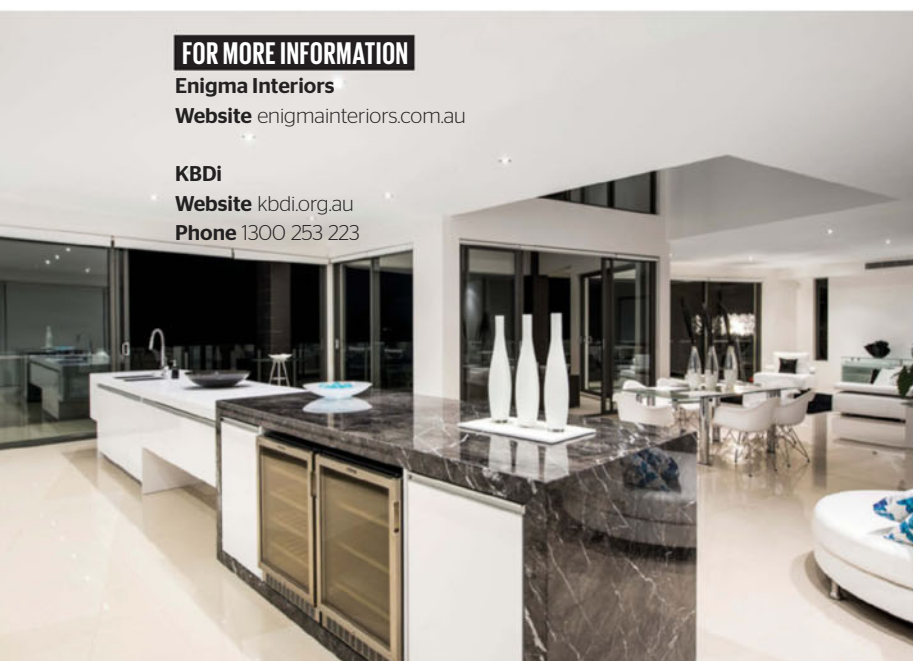
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"Capturing the view of the valley, surrounding bush and natural light was the main priority for the owners of this home, which is located in a rural hamlet that is still well connected to the city. The clients wanted a functional space for everyday family living, but one that was sophisticated enough to be an entertainer's kitchen on weekends. With natural elements surrounding the property, I wanted to bring the outside in. I did this by using bifold doors that open all the way to join the kitchen to the alfresco area. I also decided to use a fixed window as the splashback at the rear, which continues over the side-by-side appliances positioned midpoint so that the views are maximised. One of the key features of this kitchen is the use of solid surfaces, with various thicknesses stimulating the appeal. Staron offered a timeless design that would not compete with the featured surrounds. Its easy maintenance makes entertaining and everyday living simple, and Staron is also suitable to withstand environmental elements such as direct UV light. The lifespan of this kitchen was important so I selected Staron Solid Surfaces in Quasar White, which would be used for all the cabinetry fronts for a simple and clean look. With its non-porous, durable and monolithic characteristics, Staron in Aspen Glacier then completed the benchtops and splashback. The Staron surface continues outside to the integrated sink and barbecue area, used for the benchtops and doors. I wanted to create a kitchen space that allowed many users at the same time and ensured the cook is always a part of the entertaining. To achieve this, I banked the Smeg cooking appliances together to help retain and encourage the overall linear feel and flow of the space. Integrated fridges have been placed just inside the rear bifold doors so they can be easily used by people both inside and out. Lighting has been applied extensively throughout the indoor/outdoor space, giving it a luminescent appeal. It all starts with the LED lights running above the laminate flyover, followed by LED downlights housed under the flyover, providing task lighting for the user. The LED lights then continue, accenting the underside of the island bench. Extensive Blum hardware has also been used to make accessing cupboards and drawers easy. The use of materials such as Staron, which continue from the inside and extend to the outdoor area, really blurs the line between the two spaces. Overall, this stunning area adapts perfectly from family living to entertaining, with an ergonomic design that takes in the beautiful surrounds and is inviting to be in."

Designer: Kim Duffin, Sublime Architectural Interiors







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- Samsung Staron Solid Surfaces
staron.com.au
- Sublime Architectural Interiors
sublimegroup.com.au
- **Benchtop and splashback** Samsung Staron Solid Surfaces in Aspen Glacier
- **Fabrication** Solid Surface Innovations and Thermoform Fabricators
- **Doors** Clad with Samsung Staron Solid Surfaces in Quasar White
- **Oven** Smeg Multifunctional S45mfx2
- **Steam oven** Smeg SA45VX2
- **Microwave** Smeg SA45MCX2
- **Coffee machine** Smeg SMS45X
- **Cooktop** Smeg induction SIHP294S
- **Rangehood** Smeg IS505X
- **Barbecue** Turbo Elite
- **Refrigerator** Samsung side-by-side SRS69IGDIS
- **Tap** Methven Kiri mixer
- **Sinks** Staron A1181 and A1231, both in Bright White



TIMELESS STYLE

"The client wanted the kitchen to make a real statement so we went with the timeless yet striking black-and-white colour scheme, which picks up the colours of the luxurious marble-look tiled floor. The wall of black timber veneer gives the illusion of a piece of furniture and breaks up the all-white kitchen. The height of the cabinets was kept well below the ceiling line, so the overall look isn't bulky, and extra storage is almost invisible above the veneer cabinets. The overhang on two sides of the island, plus the black veneer panel, means it doesn't look bulky either. The kitchen isn't very big so the mirrored splashback essentially doubles the size visually, while the handleless cabinets keep the look very streamlined. The Laminex Creased Aluminium that covers the rangehood and runs along the bottom of the top cabinets creates a point of difference and adds some texture, yet it's subtle enough not to overpower the other finishes. Overall, it's a modern yet timeless design that won't go out of style."

Designer: Haris Bahtiyarov of Alby Turner & Son





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■ **albyturner.com.au**

■ **Cabinet doors** Gloss-white polyurethane, satin-finish E-veneer in Ravenna

■ **Panels** Laminex Innovations Creased Aluminium on rangehood

■ **Internal hardware** Blum Silk White and Terra Black. Intivo with frosted design elements, Blum Orga-line, Kessebohmer 400 pullouts, Häfele EuroCargo bin

■ **Handles** Castella

■ **Benchtop** Laminex

Freestyle Kosciusko

■ **Splashback** Mirrored

■ **Lighting** LED downlights, colour-changing LED strip lighting

■ **Flooring** Spanish marble-look tiles

■ **Oven and combi oven** Miele

■ **Induction cooktop** Miele

■ **Rangehood** Schweigen undermount silent

■ **Dishwasher** Asko fully integrated

■ **Refrigerator** Liebherr fully integrated

■ **Sink** Double Franke

white granite undermount

■ **Taps** Boiling Billy filtered boiling and chilled water unit on island

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EXPERT TIP

A mirrored splashback creates the illusion of more space and helps reflect light.



We love the monochrome colour scheme with marble.



OCEAN BLUE

"An alluring combination of texture and colour, paired with a contemporary timber look, makes quite an impression in this spacious kitchen. Transformed from a heavy timber kitchen, light overhead colours and darker base cabinets form the foundation of a visually larger space. The whitewash timber-look floor tiles lift the room, offering a luminous, tactile naturalness in harmony with the bevelled subway tiles and Shaker-style cabinetry. LED downlights add to the radiance. Maximum storage was a must-have, so we selected a range of Blum products to utilise every nook and cranny: a corner drawer, Le Mans unit, two-tier pull-out for oils and spices, and pull-out tea towel and dishwasher drawer. A dedicated coffee-making area was slotted in adjacent to the pantry. The tabletop adds an important social aspect to the kitchen, its curves enhancing the overall flow of the space and adding the final visual treat."

Designer: Jordan Smith for Brilliant SA





We love how the timber-look floor tiles and subway tiles work together to add a new dimension.



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- **brilliantssa.com.au**
- **Cabinetry and panels**
Satin polyurethane in Shaker profile
- **Internal hardware** Blum
- **Benchtop** Caesarstone in Nougat 30mm
- **Handles** Pewter pull and knobs
- **Splashback** Bevelled subway tiles
- **Floor** Timber-look textured tiles

- **Lighting** LED downlights
- **Sink** Franke Aurora undermount double bowl
- **Taps** Methven Minimalist spring pull-down mixer

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MODERN MAGNIFICENCE

"These homeowners had very clear ideas regarding the contemporary features of the new build. Smooth-floating joinery was key to the design to create an ultra-modern look. To complement the floating nature of the island block and cupboards lining the room, the homeowners wanted to incorporate a contemporary cantilevered addition, which is fashioned from beautiful bluestone and perches elegantly atop the floating island block. Using a high-gloss two-pack paint finish and handleless options for cupboards and drawers in the kitchen, Urban Kitchens was able to finish the space with fine lines and a modern aesthetic. With the added help of the Blum Servo-Drive system, the cupboards open with a beautiful and smooth action at the touch of a button."

Designer: Con Moshopoulos for Urban Kitchens





We love the floating island bench, which adds another dimension to the space.





EXPERT TIP

Add high gloss
for an ultra-
modern look.



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- **urbankitchens.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors** Two-pack gloss-paint finish
- **Internal hardware** Blum Tandembox grey
- **Benchmark** Caesarstone Snow and Stone Italiana
- **Handles** Extrusion using aluminium
- **Splashback** Grey mirror
- **Floorboards** Reconstituted floorboards
- **Lighting** Downlights
- **Oven** Miele
- **Dishwasher** Miele
- **Cooktop** Miele
- **Sink** Frankie Undermount

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MODERN ELEGANCE

"This kitchen is the epitome of style, elegance and functionality. As a renovation, it is admirable to see such a dynamic new space, created and planned to take full advantage of the stunning panoramic city and river views. The kitchen offers an abundance of organised storage along with defined preparation, cooking and cleaning zones, which help make this a dream kitchen that is a handcrafted modern masterpiece, custom-made in Western Australia. We pride ourselves on innovation and craftsmanship. The kitchen incorporates a custom-made door using solid American walnut, with a handle detail for a sleek and seamless finish. Integration of high-end appliances complements the open-plan living and dining areas, with the 'living kitchen' concept carried throughout the design process. It combines classic traditional materials rich in colour and texture with modern appliances and neutral metallic splashbacks to create a harmonious balance between classic and contemporary."

Designer: Penka Kolevova for Western Cabinets





We love the rich colour of the cabinets that propel this kitchen into the “wow” category.





EXPERT TIP

Offset your appliances with your cabinets and benchtop for that elegant feel.



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■ westerncabinets.com.au

■ Cabinet doors

American walnut solid timber frames with integrated finger grip

■ Panels

Decometal 60mm fascia in brushed pewter

■ Internal hardware

Hettich Pullboy twin waste bin, LeMans Corner, Hettich exclusive glass-front drawers, Org Pro cutlery and utensil inserts

■ Benchtop

Natural granite 40mm and 60mm, fascia in Millennium Cream

■ Splashback

Metaline Autumn Perle

■ **Handles** American walnut integrated handles

■ **Kickboards** Formica Decometal brushed pewter

■ **Walls** Dulux Natural White

■ **Lighting** LED warm white ceiling downlights, glass line and Versa strip light

■ **Floor** Natural travertine

■ **Oven** Miele H5681 pyrolytic

■ **Combi oven** Miele H5080BM

■ **Steam oven** Miele DGC5080XL

■ **Cooktop** Gaggenau C1491 112

■ **Warming drawer** Miele ESW5080-14

■ **Rangehood** Gaggenau AH 320-131

■ **Dishwasher** Miele G5775 SCVi

■ **Refrigerator** Miele K1801Vi

■ **Freezer** Miele F1471

■ **Wine cooler** Liebherr WTUES1653

■ **Sink** Franke Kubus 110-70

■ **Taps** KWC Inox

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RESTAURANT-STYLE ENTERTAINER

"These homeowners came to us with a brief to design a semi-commercial kitchen to replace their existing one. We also needed to consider the current floor tiles in our design. In discussion with the homeowner, we decided on an open-plan design with lots of bench space for food preparation. The Qasair rangehood was custom designed to suit the open stainless-steel shelving and this adds to the overall commercial look. The Unox ChefTop commercial oven, Barazza cooktops and commercial-looking preparation bench and tap are highlight features of the design, but there are many hidden features too. A timber-veneer panel conceals a walk-in pantry and touch drawers make preparing food for a busy family even easier. Concealed LED lighting is another element that accentuates the island bench. But, importantly, we have capped off the island bench with a thick stone end panel and soft round pendant light."

Designer: Daniel Monteverde for Kastell Kitchens

Manufacturer: Kastell Kitchens

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■ **kastell.com.au**

■ **Cabinetry** American walnut timber veneer, stainless steel

■ **Panels** American walnut veneer, stainless steel

■ **Internal hardware** Blum

■ **Benchtop** Smartstone Carrara, stainless steel

■ **Splashback** Subway tiles

■ **Kickboards**

Stainless steel

■ **Oven** Unox ChefTop

■ **Cooktop/hotplate**

Barazza

■ **Rangehood/canopy**

Qasair

■ **Dishwasher** Fisher & Paykel fully integrated

■ **Refrigerator** Electrolux

■ **Sink** Custom-made stainless steel

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EXPERT TIP

Use textured finishes to define zones.

***We love** the open-plan semi-commercial design mixed with convenient storage solutions.*





INTEGRATED KITCHEN

"With a busy entertaining lifestyle and a young family, the homeowners were after seamless integration and a highly functional, durable kitchen. The all-white palette of the cabinet doors, panels and walls blends with the Corian Glacier White 80mm benchtop and island bench with a 40mm waterfall edge and integrated sink. Along with the concealed ambient lighting, integrated rangehood and dishwasher, and finger-pulls instead of handles, there's also a butler's pantry with an integrated Liebherr fridge, a second integrated dishwasher, sink and appliance cupboard. The highly durable Corian surfaces link the kitchen benchtops to the alfresco dining area. The use of toughened silver mirror as a splashback adds luxury and reflects the landscaped garden into the entertaining space."

Designer: Andrew Mitchell with Quinlan Joinery and CASF Australia





***We love** the durability,
clean lines and seamless
finish of Corian surfaces.*



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■ casf.com.au

■ **Cabinetry** Two-pack in Dulux Vivid White

■ **Panels** Two-pack in Dulux Vivid White

■ **Internal hardware** Häfele Kessebohmer

■ **Benchtop** Corian Glacier White

■ **Splashback** Toughened silver mirror

■ **Kickboards** Two-pack in Dulux Vivid White

■ **Lighting** Artemide Rastaf downlights for task lighting, concealed dimmable fluorescent tubes for ambient lighting

■ **Oven** Miele 900mm electric, 600mm steam, microwave combi oven

■ **Cooktop/hotplate** Miele 900mm induction

■ **Rangehood/canopy** Miele 900mm fully integrated

■ **Dishwasher** 2 x Miele fully integrated

■ **Refrigerator** Liebherr integrated

■ **Sink** Corian Mixa Massimo integrated

■ **Taps** KWC Eve mixer

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LUMINOUS BEAUTY

"This kitchen's vast stone servery brings the outside in, maximising the expansive view and the outdoor living experience. The beauty and magnitude of the stone benchtops are accentuated by natural light, which pours in from every direction. Pure-white walls add to the brightness of the space. That simplicity – and the minimal palette – makes the dark-silver splashback even more arresting. The textured finish of the cabinetry adds layers of material complexity and functional soft-close cabinets complete the story. When day turns to night, the striking backlit Arabescato marble takes centre stage and is a delight for entertaining."

Designer: Wayne Havenaar for Germancraft Cabinets





We love the show-stopping backlit marble that adds a new dimension to the kitchen.



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- **germancraft.com.au**
- **Cabinetry/panels** Aspen Forest laminate; Amerind horizontal grain
- **Internal hardware** Blum soft-close; Häfele integrated waste bins
- **Benchmark** Essastone in Bone White
- **Handles** Bevel grip and Stefano Orlati (fridge doors)
- **Splashback** Colourback glass white metallic paint in White Sparkle
- **Kickboards** Amerind stainless laminate
- **Lighting** Hettich
- **Oven** Miele
- **Cooktop/hotplate** Miele
- **Rangehood/canopy** Miele
- **Dishwasher** Miele
- **Refrigerator** Liebherr fully integrated

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PURPLE POP

"This is a beautiful home in Malvern East, Vic, but the existing kitchen was in desperate need of replacement. The owners wanted a better use of a small space. Storage was poor and there was not enough workspace, so they wanted to open up the area and make it lighter. The use of the aubergine colour adds drama and warmth, while we made the most of a difficult void space by fitting an appliance cabinet. The pole in the kitchen could not be removed so I made it into more of a feature by building it into the island. With its warmth and depth, the colour, coupled with the crisp white, makes the area come to life with a little drama."

Designer: Mal Corboy

Manufacturer and Installer: Inset Kitchens





EXPERT TIP

Add a dramatic element to your kitchen to inject some visual flair. These beautiful pendant lights add a touch of class and bring the whole space together.



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■ **inset.com.au**

■ **Cabinet doors**

White Emporite gloss and toughened coloured glass

■ **Internal hardware**

Hettich Innotech drawers, Hettich Sensys soft-close hinges

■ **Benchmark Q STONE**

Pure White with mitred edging

■ **Splashback** Toughened coloured glass

■ **Handles** Metal U mould

■ **Kickboards** Stainless steel

■ **Floor** Spotted gum

■ **Lighting** LED

■ **Cabinet interiors** Metallic Grey with 25mm-thick shelving

■ **Oven** Siemens

■ **Cooktop** Siemens

■ **Dishwasher** Miele

■ **Refrigerator** Electrolux

■ **Rangehood** Siemens

■ **Steamer** Siemens

■ **Taps** KWC

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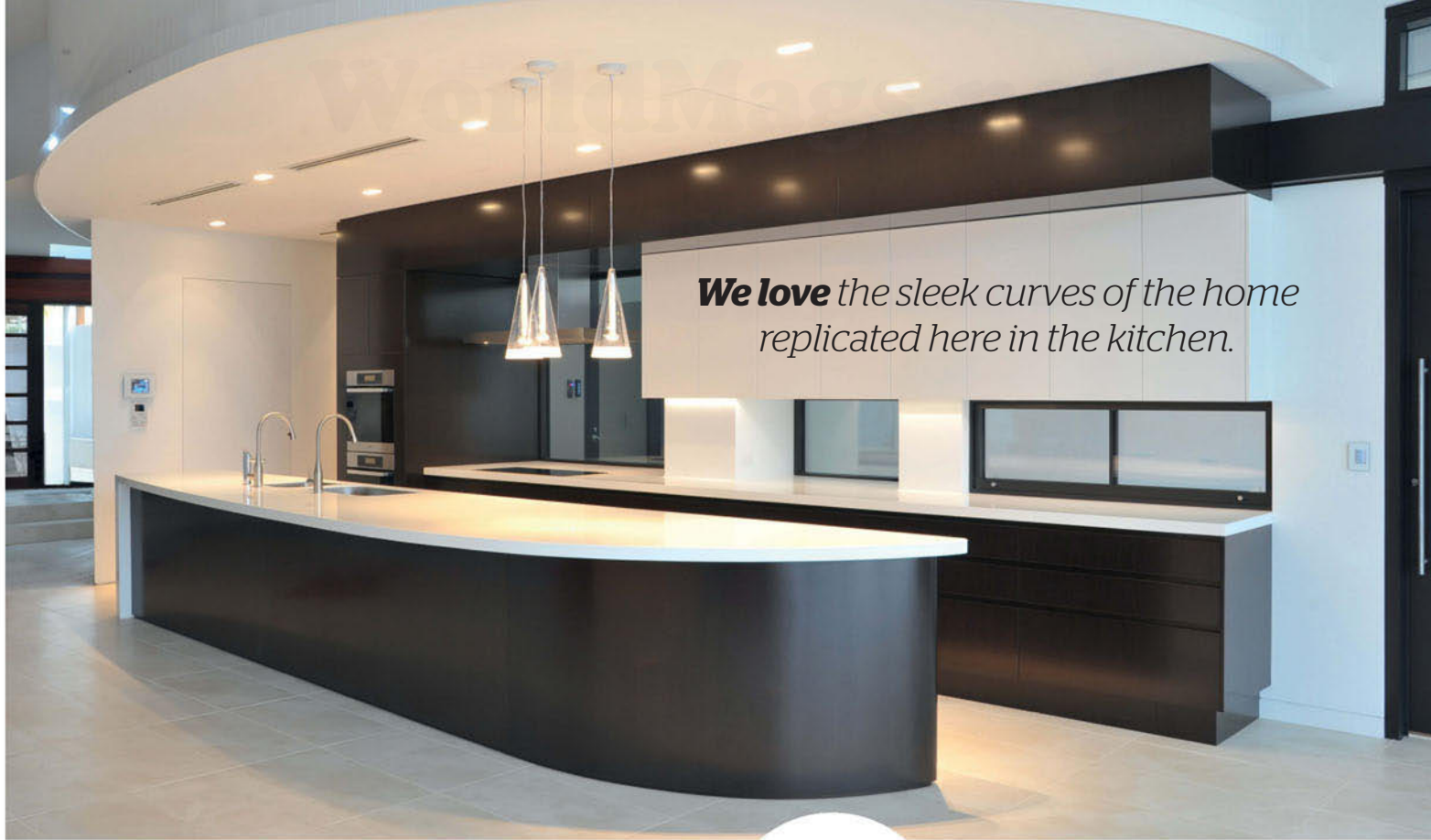
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CONTEMPORARY STYLE AND ELEGANCE

"The homeowner's vision was clear from the very beginning of the project: an innovative home with use of texture and light to create the perfect atmosphere. The client's previous experience with Jag provided them with the confidence that we could deliver a kitchen of the highest standard with precise detail, incorporating clever use of modern materials, to complement their stunning waterfront home. They had worked closely with an architect to design the interior and exterior. This design reflected the clients' ambitious desire for a monumental residence, with varied ceiling heights incorporating organic curves and lines that bring the outside in, while ensuring it sat perfectly in this prestigious location. The integration of joinery into the space, taking into consideration the windows and bulkhead, was momentous. The technical accuracy and detailing required precision, numerous templates and extensive planning. I worked closely with the architect's drawings, discussing options with the client, refining details and finishing for a result that not only suits the clients' requirements, but seamlessly fits with the home. The balance of white and veneer was debated numerous times and both the client and I believe we have it right — the results speak for themselves. The balance of warmth in the veneer and reflected light are perfect. The scullery is a showcase of the entire project, from both my perspective and the client's initial brief, and is separate from the kitchen, divided by a walkway. The space draws you in with brilliant simplicity. Thick shelves emphasise the horizontal lines from the front door. LED strip lighting accents the area while providing continuous light to the whole space. Corian benchtops create a seamless surface to the complex yet extensive workspace and have created a flow-on effect, replicating the natural curves exhibited in the entire home. The client could not be happier with the space; it's a perfect rendition of their brief and a space that encapsulates my design perspective."

Designer: David Luke for Jag Kitchens





***We love** the sleek curves of the home replicated here in the kitchen.*



EXPERT TIP

Nothing says contemporary quite like the simplicity of black and white.



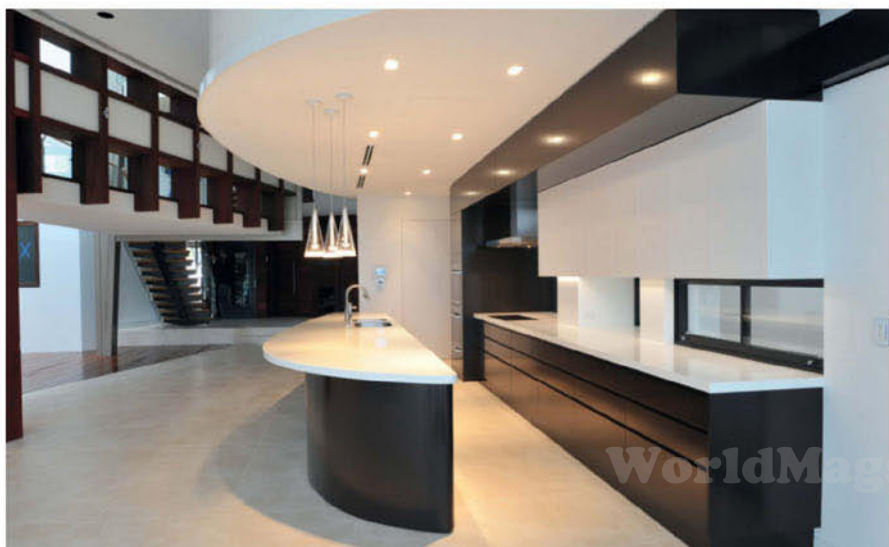
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- jagkitchens.com.au
- **Cabinet doors and panels** Angus satin Solver Paper White and Briggs veneer Black Onyx
- **Internal hardware** Häfele, Hettich
- **Benchtop and splashback** 50mm Corian Glacier White
- **Handles** Finger-pull detail
- **Kickboards** Briggs veneer Black Onyx
- **Walls** Solver Paper White
- **Flooring** Tiles
- **Lighting** LED
- **Oven** Miele H5681
- **Dishwasher** Miele 65935SCIXXL
- **Cooktop** Miele KM6380LPT
- **Refrigerator** Miele
- **Rangehood** Miele DA424V
- **Sink** Oliveri Nu Petite NP 650V
- **Taps** KWC EVE
- **Steamer** Miele DGC 5080XL

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AMERICAN STYLE

"The existing raised flooring limited the space we had to work with however, by removing the old island bench and replacing it with a full wraparound benchtop, we instantly created more benchtop space as well as lots of storage in the drawers underneath. The previous design was quite top heavy with overhead cabinets, so we lifted the ceiling and concentrated them all on the back wall. We could then keep the side wall quite clear with shallow glass cabinets, open shelving and the feature mantelpiece, which is typical of the American Hamptons style the client loves. Other characteristic design features of this style, which is proving quite popular with clients, include the profile of the cabinets, the lamb's-tongue edge of the benchtop, a tiled splashback in a diamond pattern, plus the decorative handles and the black and white colour scheme."

Designer: Markus Sawatzki for Let's Talk Kitchens & Interiors



We love the striking black granite against the white.

EXPERT TIP

Raising the ceiling height is a good way to create extra space.

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- letstalkkitchens.com.au
- **Cabinet doors & panels**
Tesrol Design 606, satin two-pack in Dulux Natural White
- **Internal hardware**
Blum, Kessebohmer
- **Mouldings** Tesrol corbels
- **Benchtop** Labrador black granite with lamb's-tongue edge
- **Splashback** White gloss 100x100mm tile
- **Handles** B&M Classic cupboard pull and knobs in brushed nickel from Mother of Pearl
- **Lighting** Downlights
- **Flooring** Timber

- **Oven** Siemens HB43GS55OA
- **Cooktop** Bosch PCT915B9TA
- **Rangehood** Sirius
- **Dishwasher** Miele
- **Sink** Franke Steel Queen SQX120D
- **Taps** KWC Luna Swivel Spout

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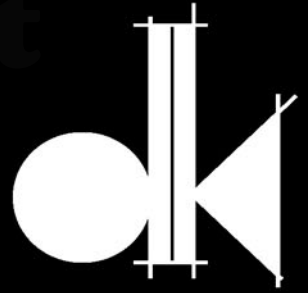
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"We had the opportunity to recreate this kitchen from the ground up in order to solve the problem of the existing kitchen being awkwardly located, unattractive and dysfunctional. So the original kitchen was transformed into a TV/lounge area and walls were demolished to open up another room located on the lower level to create the new kitchen. The new room is open plan and located in a large, open space with a design that makes it the centrepiece of the home. An existing fireplace was incorporated into the design of the new kitchen and the area clad in a manufactured stone called Random Ashlar from Eco Concepts, which has turned it into a stunning feature. The homeowners are keen entertainers with a large extended family, so the relocation of the kitchen to the same level as the dining and outdoor areas has created the perfect entertaining space."

Designer: Tim Whiteman for Impala Kitchens and Bathrooms





EXPERT TIP

Locate the wine fridge on the outside of the kitchen for ease of access when entertaining.



We love the reclaimed fireplace, which is a centrepiece of the new kitchen

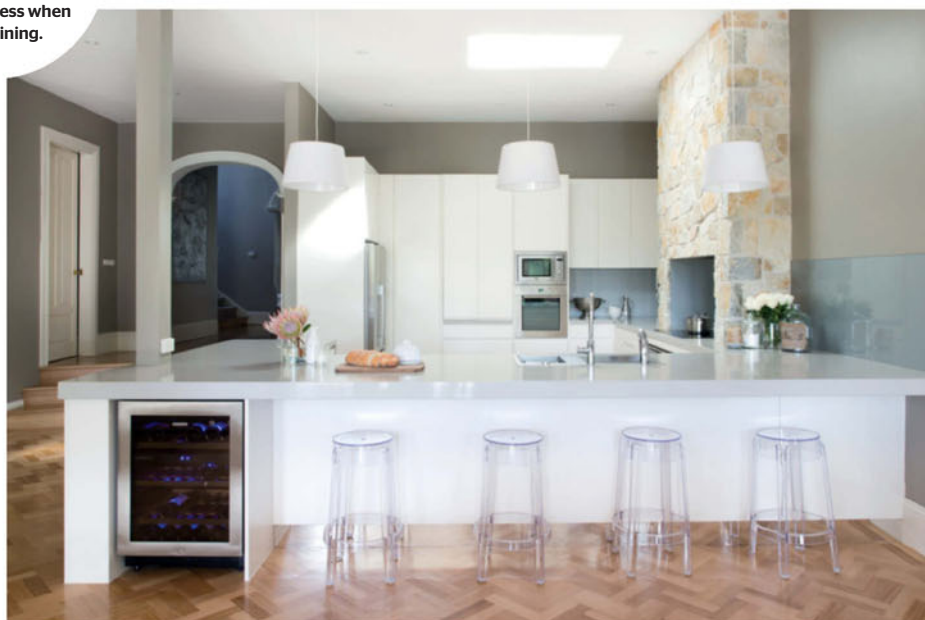
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- impala.com.au
- **Cabinet doors**
Polyurethane Antique
White USA
- **Benchmark**
Caesarstone Haze
- **Floor** Parquetry
- **Oven** Miele
- **Cooktop** Miele
- **Sink** Zone 1.5-bowl
undermount sink
- **Extractor fan** Sirius
- **Taps** Abey and Billi
- **Wine fridge** Vintec

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Designer: Greg Robinson for Robinson's Kitchens





We love the exquisite glass splashback that ties the whole kitchen together.

EXPERT TIP

For a streamlined kitchen, don't go overboard on the colour palette. Choose one feature colour and stick to it.

SHOP THE LOOK

- robinsonskitchens.com.au
- **Cabinet doors**
Alabaster
- **Internal hardware** Blum
Tandembox, Orgaline
- **Benchmark** Quantum
Quartz Coral Reef
- **Splashback** Glass
- **Kickboards** Brushed stainless steel

- **Oven** Siemens
- **Dishwasher** Siemens
- **Cooktop** Siemens
- **Rangehood** Siemens
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RECLAIMED SPACE

"The space was converted from a separate kitchen, laundry and dining room into one open-plan area, however the lowered ceiling in the kitchen helps define the space. Because walls were removed, we were left with a supporting post in the centre so we decided to make a feature of it in the timber laminate. This detail is continued on the legs of the island as well as the trim around the floating cabinets. The colour picks up some of the golden tones in the marble and both finishes were chosen to provide an accent to the all-white kitchen without overpowering it, so the main contrast is between the white cabinets and walls and the dark-timber floor. We kept full-height cabinets just on the side walls to avoid the back wall looking too solid. The laundry is now neatly housed behind these tall cabinets and an extra single sink at that end of the benchtop doubles as a food prep and laundry sink. Drawers run all the way below the back benchtop and island to make the best use of this space and the shark-nose edge adds to the overall sleek look of the handleless cabinetry throughout."

Designer: Ole Jensen for Art of Kitchens



EXPERT TIP

Convert a separate laundry into a laundry cupboard in the kitchen and reclaim the extra space.

SHOP THE LOOK

- **artofkitchens.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors** Dulux Vivid White satin finish, Cleaf timber texture laminate
- **Panels** Seattle door profile
- **Internal hardware** Blum Tandemblox white
- **Benchmark** Corian Glacier White 40mm pencil-edge bench and 80mm island
- **Splashback** Calacatta marble honed
- **Handles** Handleless shark nose
- **Kickboards** Brushed aluminium
- **Lighting** LED downlights
- **Flooring** Stained timber
- **Oven** Miele

- **Cooktop** Miele
- **Combi oven** Miele
- **Rangehood** Miele concealed
- **Dishwasher** Miele semi-integrated
- **Refrigerator** Miele
- **Washing machine/dryer** Miele
- **Sink** Undermount double and single
- **Taps** Franke pull-out

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SKY'S THE LIMIT

"Having received the nickname 'Queens of kitchens', we felt the pressure to create something special. The design had to be modern and functional but we also wanted it to have an industrial edge and an almost cafe vibe to it. So we mixed it up by having the slick black and white cabinets as well as the wood-grain overheads for some contrast and texture. We also used two stone colours and different benchtop heights to differentiate the two areas of the island and prevent it from looking like one big block. The fusion of deep browns with maple-coloured veins in the Emperor stone adds a rich and natural element, while the polished concrete and timber ceiling feature adds a raw, industrial edge. The ceiling feature was a bit of a gamble but we felt it would add an element of 'wow' and help frame the space within the open-plan area. It's a real entertainer's kitchen so we installed large sliding doors to the courtyard to create a good flow between the two."

Designers: Alisa and Lysandra for *The Block Sky High* final challenge for Freedom Kitchens.





EXPERT TIP

An island bench won't look so solid and square if you split it in two by having different heights and benchtop colours.



***We love** the mix of polished and industrial materials and finishes.*

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■ **freedomkitchens.com.au**

■ **Cabinet doors & panels**
Alaskan Gloss White and Black, Laminex Impressions in Bleached Wenge (Riven finish)

■ **Internal hardware**
Hettich

■ **Kickboards** Alaskan Gloss White and Black

■ **Handles** Touch catch

■ **Benchtop** Caesarstone Emperor and Snow

■ **Flooring** Polished concrete

■ **Lighting** Downlights and timber feature made by Alisa and Lysandra

■ **Oven** Fisher & Paykel single oven

■ **Cooktop** Fisher & Paykel five-burner

■ **Rangehood** Highland undermount

■ **Dishwasher** Neff semi-integrated

■ **Refrigerator** Fisher & Paykel French door

■ **Sink** Abey Schock

■ **Taps** Ono sink mixer

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FORM AND FUNCTION

"The clients love to cook and spend a lot of time entertaining, so while they wanted the kitchen to become the focal point of the living space, it also had to be really functional. Working in conjunction with the client and her interior designer, a lot of detail has gone into the heights of the drawers, the design of the legs of the island and the glass overhead cabinets. The butler's pantry is where all the messy work is done so we made sure it had lots of bench space for small appliances and open shelves so all pantry items are within easy reach. The warm tones of the Porter's Greythorn paint was used in double strength on the cabinets and glass splashback and half strength on the walls to keep the look light and uniform, but with subtle differences. The macaubus quartzite benchtop has all the luxury of marble without the maintenance, and teamed with the signature lighting above the island, it really finishes off the space."

Designer: Barb Pettigrew for The Kitchen Place





EXPERT TIP

An interesting light fitting makes a visual feature when centred above the island bench.



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■ thekitchenplace.com.au

■ **Cabinet doors & panels**

Two-pack Shaker-style profile in Porter's Paints Greythorn double strength

■ **Internal hardware** Blum

Tandembox soft close, pull-out oil/spice unit, stainless-steel cutlery and utensil holders; Häfele pull-out detergent rack, rubbish bin x 4 unit

■ **Handles** Schots

■ **Benchtop** White

macaubas quartzite

■ **Splashback** Glass painted

Porter's Paints Greythorn double strength

■ **Flooring** Blackbutt

natural finish

■ **Walls** Porter's Paints

Greythorn half strength

■ **Lighting** Nautic lighting

over island

■ **Walls** Porter's Paints

Greythorn half strength

■ **Oven** Wolf oven and

warming drawer

■ **Cooktop** Wolf induction

■ **Rangehood** Qasair

■ **Dishwasher** Miele integrated

■ **Refrigerator** Sub Zero

■ **Sink** Franke

■ **Taps** Perrin & Rowe

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COMPLETE PACKAGE

"The owners had a firm idea of what they wanted and what would suit their lifestyle — a clean and contemporary kitchen that was warm and inviting. The space also had to be practical and family friendly as the couple has three children. Designed for a new home, the kitchen blends seamlessly with the surrounding open-plan area, which flows to an outdoor entertaining space. The space is flooded with natural light so it was important to add substance to the kitchen so it wouldn't appear washed out. To do this, we chose warm timber-veneer drawer fronts teamed with dark benchtops and Calacatta marble, which add a touch of drama to the kitchen and help ground the space. The kitchen is very functional; it features drawers and pull-outs, rather than cupboards, as well as a butler's pantry. Overall, the space has a light and welcoming feel that complements the indoor/outdoor living area and the spectacular view the owners enjoy from their home."

Designer: Andrew Dee for Wonderful Kitchens





EXPERT TIP

Position your cooking appliances at bench height to make your kitchen ergonomic and easy to use.



***We love** the delicious combination of warm timber veneer, cool marble and moody engineered stone.*

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■ **wonderfulkitchens.com.au**

■ **Cabinet doors**

Polyurethane in Vivid White, New Age Veneer in Crem Oak

■ **Internal hardware** Blum soft-close doors, drawers and inner drawers; Orgaline cutlery and utensil trays

■ **Benchtop** Quantum Quartz in Storm

■ **Handles** Fingerpull

■ **Splashback** Calacatta marble

■ **Kickboards** Mirror laminate

■ **Cooktop** Miele

■ **Rangehood** Miele

■ **Refrigerator** Fisher & Paykel

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VIBRANT CREATION

"The original design lacked storage, functionality and visual appeal. We had to create a practical kitchen that complemented the architecture and furniture of the home. The client was looking for more efficient and accessible storage solutions. A streamline design frames and, therefore, focuses on the splashback, a Florence Broadhurst wallpaper design with toughened Starfire glass in front. A textured 'Lamicolor' laminate was used for the bar back and built-in bar section. This bar features a fold-down door between the wine fridges that provides a drink-preparing benchtop space. The new kitchen is an exciting, vibrant expression of the client's personality. It is unique in both materials and design and certainly bucks the trend of the ever-popular 'white' kitchen."

Designer: Matthew Chave for Collaroy Kitchen Centre



EXPERT TIP

Want to make a statement in your kitchen? Try a dramatic splashback or an eye-catching pendant light.



***We love** the outdoor bench that becomes a part of the kitchen when you open the bifold windows.*

SHOP THE LOOK

- collaroykitchen.com.au
- **Cabinet doors**
Polyurethane and Dulux Whisper White, polyurethane and Lamicolor Wenge Loft
- **Internal hardware** Blum hinges, Blum drawer runners, Häfele bin, Le Mans swing pull-out
- **Benchtop** River White granite
- **Splashback** Glass with wallpaper behind

- **Floor** Tiles
- **Lighting** Black Caravaggio P pendants
- **Oven** Miele
- **Dishwasher** Miele
- **Cooktop** Miele
- **Refrigerator** Liebherr
- **Bar fridge** Liebherr
- **Rangehood** Miele
- **Taps** Abey

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AMERICAN ELEGANCE

"The homeowner worked closely with designer Rob Barclay to produce a kitchen that could grace the elegant mansions of America's deep south. The doors were custom-made and were designed with a raised centre panel and ornate bolelection moulding to replicate the sumptuous appearance of a kitchen from the plantation era. The dentil moulding and mantelpiece were also custom-made to the client's specific design requests. The grand centrepiece is the island, with its 150mm fluted panelled columns and 60mm curved timber bench ends. Smith & Smith hand-selected the blackwood timber to ensure the beautiful island benchtop could be manufactured without joins in the overall length. The cabinetry encasing the refrigerator, pantry and oven tower was enclosed by full-height fluted columns adorned with decorative 'bulls eyes'. This ornate panelling was also incorporated into a matching entertainment unit, which was custom-built by Smith & Smith."

Designer: Rob Barclay for Smith & Smith Kitchens





EXPERT TIP

Choosing the right finishes, such as a gold tap or elegant pendant light, will help create that classic Provincial look.



***We love** the fine detail in all the cabinetry that adds to the old-world charm of this kitchen.*

SHOP THE LOOK

- **smithandsmith.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors** Two-pack polyurethane paint
- **Internal hardware** Hettich drawer runners, Hettich hinges, Smith & Smith handmade timber cutlery drawer, twin bin
- **Island benchtop** 60mm oiled blackwood, custom-edge profile
- **Kitchen benchtop** 40mm oiled blackwood, double-half bullnose-edge profile
- **Mouldings** 25mm-thick wolf mould to shelving, Smith & Smith dentil cap mould, timber corbels, fluted panels with ornate 'bulls eyes'

- **Floor** Spotted gum
- **Oven** Falcon Classic 110
- **Dishwasher** Fisher & Paykel
- **Combi oven** Fisher & Paykel
- **Refrigerator** LG
- **Rangehood** Qasair
- **Taps** The English Tapware Company

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RELAXED STYLE

"The face framing around the cabinets is one of the main features of an authentic Hamptons-style kitchen and something we specialise in. Other signature features include the exposed hinges and the large canopy, which creates a focal point of the freestanding oven, along with the feature tiles compared to the traditional subway tiles used elsewhere for the splashback. The island creates a lot of interest in the space, with its darker painted finish and kickboard profile. This creates an illusion of a solid piece of timber furniture. The open, mixed-use shelving with wicker baskets, timber wine rack and large American walnut butcher's block give it a personalised, lived-in and slightly rustic feel, rather than looking too polished or just for show. These features complement the rustic timber flooring and dining table, while the colour of the island also picks up the colour of the metal frame of the dining table."

Designer: Guido Steding for Steding Interiors & Joinery

EXPERT TIP

A face frame around the cabinets will enhance the Hamptons style of the kitchen.



We love the rustic and decorative features for a more personalised take on the Hamptons look.



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- steding.com.au
- **Cabinet doors & panels**
Hamptons style in 18mm MDF with square profile and recessed panel
- **Internal hardware**
Grass soft-close
- **Mouldings** Small Ogee
- **Kickboards** Recessed kicker in main working area and Hamptons profile around island
- **Handles** Castella finger pull
- **Benchtop** Smartstone with American walnut butcher's block
- **Splashback** Tiled
- **Flooring** Timber
- **Oven** ILVE
- **Cooktop** ILVE
- **Rangehood** Custom-built rangehood
- **Dishwasher** Miele integrated
- **Refrigerator** Miele integrated
- **Sink** Franke
- **Taps** Perrin & Rowe

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HAMPTONS HAVEN

"This new home is entirely designed in the Hamptons style. We designed the kitchen and all other cabinetry including vanities, built-ins and an amazing floor-to-ceiling library. The details are what make this style so special, such as the Shaker profile, mouldings and cappings and period accessories like the handles and taps. The Carrara marble benchtop, handmade Italian tiles on the splashback and timber wall and ceiling panelling complete the signature Hamptons look. The wall cabinet with glass-top cabinets and open shelf is built in, yet it looks freestanding due to the feet detail and higher benchtop compared to the nearby sink area. The island, painted in a contrasting charcoal, becomes a real focal point of the space, while a discreet doorway that just looks like part of the wall leads to a full butler's pantry. Within the butler's pantry, there's a preparation and wet area and an entire wall of open shelving so you can easily see and stock pantry items. Overall, it's a great example of the simple yet striking elegance of the American Hamptons style that has become so popular in Australia."

Designer: Dominique McAdam for Provincial Kitchens





EXPERT TIP

The Hamptons style can be simple or more imposing depending on how decorative you go with timber features such as corbels, capping and kickboards.

We love the striking simplicity of Carrara marble against the pale grey and charcoal.

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- **provincialkitchens.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors**
Tasmanian oak hand-painted timber in Shaker profile
- **Panels** Tongue-and-groove hand-painted timber
- **Internal hardware**
Blum
- **Mouldings** Timber corbels and provincial capping
- **Benchtop** Carrara marble
- **Handles** Cup and knob handles
- **Splashback** Handmade Italian tiles
- **Kickboards** Proud timber kickboards
- **Flooring** French oak
- **Lighting** Under-cabinet and in-cabinet lighting
- **Oven** Gaggenau electric
- **Refrigerator** 405L Liebherr upright
- **Rangehood** Qasair
- **Sink** Oliveri Professional Series

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"When your kitchen boasts harbour views 25 floors above bustling inner-east Sydney, its design has to be bold and memorable. Working with interior designer Margaret Hughes, I took my cue from the striking black marble tiles on the kitchen floor and chose a black and white decor to match. The white island bench with waterfall ends provides a stark contrast to the surrounding floor and adjacent tall cabinets. It also provides essential workspace while housing the dishwasher, sink and a breakfast bar for three. In keeping with the full-gloss look of the kitchen, ULTRAgaze Phantom Black was chosen as the finish for the tall cabinets on both sides, and white Starfire glass as the splashback above the cooktop and microwave. Routed drawers and doors on the floor and wall cabinets and a solid-surface finish on all benchtops enhance the seamless elegance of the design. The tall cabinets opposite the main work area hide a bar space for entertaining guests before or after dinner."

Designer: Gerald Hagenloh for A-Plan Kitchens



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- **aplan.com.au**
- **Doors and panels**
Polyurethane standard white-gloss floor cabinets and ULTRAGlaze Phantom Black tall units
- **Internal hardware** Blum Tandembox soft-close
- **Benchtop** Hanex Kosciusko 40mm solid surface
- **Handles** Wilson & Bradley chrome, FDH 32021
- **Splashback** DecoGlaze White Starfire glass
- **Kickboards** Brushed aluminium
- **Floor** Black marble tiles
- **Oven** Miele H 310/1ES
- **Dishwasher** Miele G 638 I Plus semi-integrated
- **Microwave** Miele M 635/1 EG including trim kit
- **Cooktop/hotplate** Miele KM 420 S
- **Refrigerator/freezer** Liebherr inbuilt
- **Rangehood** Qasair UCH 50-1
- **Sink** Sterling SLB SQ03BW-S undermounted

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"Assorted surfaces and earthy tones create an inviting, contemporary kitchen area that works in both function and form. The desire for lustrous finishes has been indulged with reflective polyurethane surfaces and Quantum Quartz benchtops. Married with a glass splashback, this brings plenty of light into the room, creating a heightened sense of space. Soft, warm tones bring a casual touch to the classic open design and textures are artfully put together. Timber-grain panelling is applied vertically on the island and back wall shelving to enhance the natural ambience and bring visual interest to the immense space. The island draws the dividing line between the living and cooking areas. Designed for entertaining, there is enough room for family and friends to gather along its expanse, which is equally perfect for preparing meals thanks to the easy-clean surfaces. When it comes to storage, no space is wasted. Thoughtful touches include integrated appliances, full-length cabinets and a back wall full of drawers. The result is a kitchen that strikes a natural balance for today's modern family."

Designer: Michael Attard for Attard's Kitchen & Cabinetry



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- attards.com.au
- **Cabinetry** Polyurethane
- **Panels** Polyurethane and timber veneer
- **Internal hardware** Blum
- **Handles** Stainless-steel square 'D'
- **Benchtop** Quantum Quartz
- **Splashback** Glass
- **Kickboards** Brushed stainless-steel laminate
- **Oven** Fisher & Paykel OB76DDEPX1
- **Cooktop** Fisher & Paykel CI905DTB1
- **Dishwasher** Fisher & Paykel DD60DDFX7
- **Refrigerator** Samsung SRF801GDLS
- **Rangehood** Schweigen WC9-WM3150S
- **Sink** Barazza Cubo

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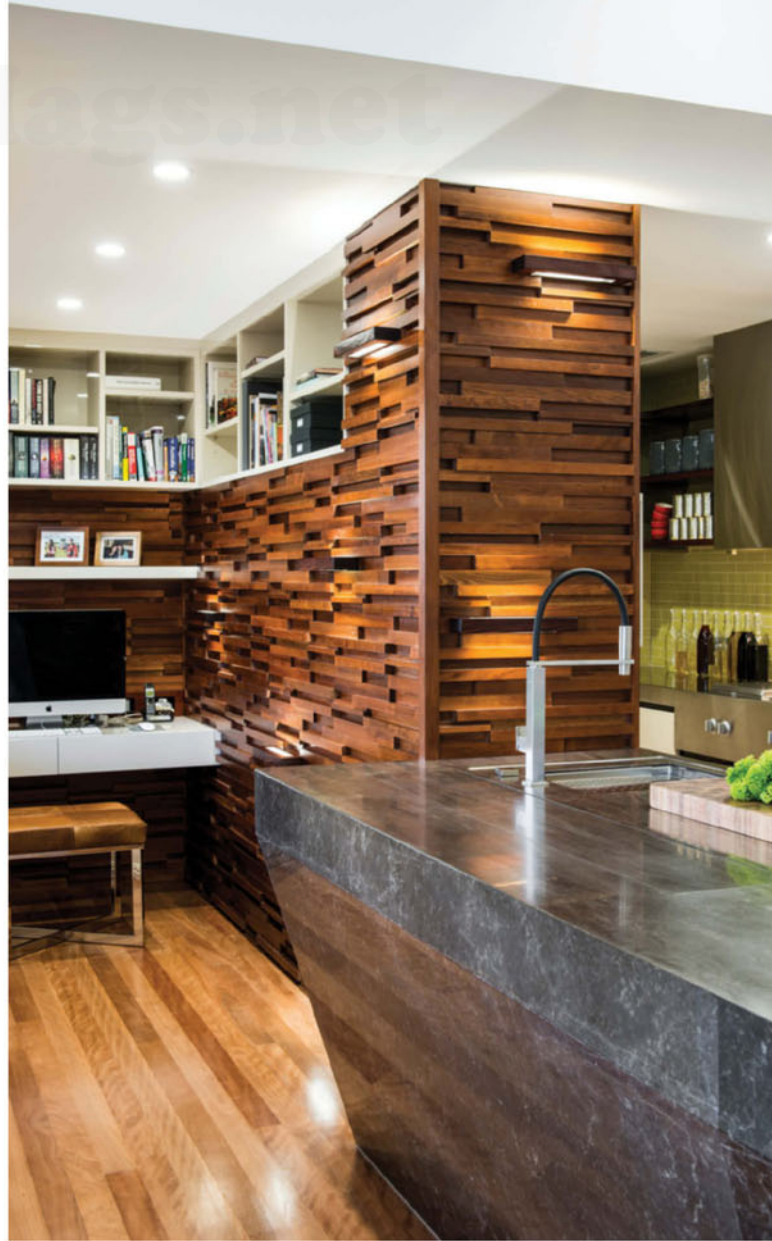
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"The owners are culinary pros so this kitchen is all about their cooking style. Relaxed yet still sophisticated, this kitchen is the ideal canvas for the couple to experiment with the art of cooking. The room has a semi-commercial feel and boasts separate dry areas for cooking items and another for wet preparation, such as cleaning fish. Because the couple love to cook together, we designed dual prep areas mirroring each other – both housing a custom-made butcher's block and a full utility station for knives, spices and oils. The view over the beautiful Samford Valley inspired the colour palette and finishes – a walnut-stained timber stack panel, earthy-coloured marble, stainless steel, avocado-green tiles and Corian, aptly called Earth. The result is a warm and inviting kitchen where the couple can dedicate hours to their culinary passion."

Designer Darren James for Interiors by Darren James







***We love** the dual prep areas
– they contain everything a
culinary pro could need.*



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- **interiorsbydarrenjames.com.au**
- **Splashback** Green 'avocado' tiles
- **Shelves** Custom-designed/ made stainless-steel and cedar shelf racking
- **Internal hardware** Blum electronic-opening Servo drive for overhead cupboards
- **Cladding** Angled marble cladding
- **Benchmark** Corian Earth with dual-routed wet decks, dual custom-made butcher's block
- **Lighting** LED strip lighting
- **Flooring** Timber

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"The previous kitchen was a small G-shaped room that could only fit one person at a time so, luckily, we were able to move the kitchen to a larger space. Besides the extra usable space that allowed for one long bench and lots of drawers along the back wall, plus a large island, the design was very much about creating a functional room with character. The client was particular about not having sharp corners, so we chose a lamb's-tongue edge for the seamless benchtop together with a nice curve along the front of the island. A hidden cavity under the bench perfectly houses the microwave, while the bifold bench pantry provides easy access. The internal hardware goes beyond just soft-close doors, with special drawer systems to accommodate different items. A silent rangehood was a must and the mantel was designed with enough character to make it a feature while still keeping it simple. The mouldings, panel design, glass doors and handles are all signature features of the Hamptons style, which, in this case, is a little more modern than the typical classic look."

Designer: Phil Watson for Select Kitchens



EXPERT TIP

The right internal hardware can make a kitchen really user-friendly.



We love the Hamptons-style design of the cabinet doors, panels and mouldings.



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■ **Cabinet doors** Albedor Alabaster matt vinyl Sheree feature panel, pocket door (to hide microwave), bifold bench pantry, Colonial single-frame clear-glass doors

■ **Panels** Albedor Alabaster matt vinyl

■ **Internal hardware** Motion hinges and Blum Motion Tandembox soft close, Häfele One2Five drawer bin system, Blum sink drawer system, Blum Orgaline oil bottle kit and cutlery, utensil inserts and knife system

■ **Mouldings** Two-pack dentil and Federation moulding, two-pack mantelpiece, decorative features include flute with rose and corbels

■ **Kickboards** Albedor Alabaster matt vinyl

■ **Handles** Kathy B809

■ **Benchtop** Samsung Aspen Brown with custom-designed lamb's-tongue edge supplied and installed by Cook & Nation

■ **Splashback** White square tile with pencil-edge border laid in diamond pattern

■ **Flooring** Amtico vinyl panels

■ **Oven** Westinghouse PGP657S fan-forced with separate grill

■ **Dishwasher** AEG F40760

■ **Cooktop** Bosch PCT915B90A gas 90cm six-burner dual wok cast iron

■ **Refrigerator** Samsung side-by-side 690L SRS690GDLS

■ **Rangehood** Schweigen UM1170-6S silent ISO drive

■ **Sink** Franke KBX11034 and KBX11045 undermount sink, Kubus 110-34 and 110-45

■ **Taps** KWC Ono gooseneck retractable steel mixer

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We love the timber detailing. It radiates warmth throughout the open-plan living area.



PRIZED SPACE

"This striking space proves that designing a kitchen is much more than the simple provision of furniture and appliances. As multi-award-winning designers, we know the difference is in the detail. The owners wanted their kitchen to reflect the ambience of the entire home: elegant and open. A furniture-style concept allowed us to achieve this, blurring the boundaries so that it is no longer possible to discern where the kitchen ends and the living area begins. A sophisticated colour palette with brilliant metallic finishes harmonises perfectly with the warm radiance of golden wood-grain tones. Handle-free fronts highlight the tactile and aesthetic quality of the surfaces in a stylish interplay of proportions that brings the architectural structure to the fore. The island unit floats above the porcelain floors, providing a generous workspace. Coloured toughened glass emphasises its furniture appeal. Gentle lighting washes over the benches, creating perfect working conditions and bestowing a sense of calm and space. The owners wanted a kitchen that was easy to use and easy to clean so, while maintaining the furniture concept, functionality was a big focus. Every appliance was chosen to provide the ultimate in operating convenience, their positions carefully considered. The fully integrated fridge has direct access from within the kitchen and from the dining and living areas. The full-height pantry area houses shelves for ample organised storage, and cantilevered rear units provide easy-to-clean floors. Deserving of its commendation at the 2013 KBDi Awards, the design provides a functional and striking space for family and friends to enjoy for years to come."

Designed by Angela Gianakis



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- **outsidesquare.com.au**
- **Cabinetry** Two-pack gloss Metallic Bronze
- **Panels** Two-pack Metallic Bronze
- **Benchtop** Glass and Staron
- **Handles** Shark-nose, within joinery
- **Kickboards** Cantilevered, mirror and recessed
- **Lighting** Custom
- **Floor** Porcelain floor tiles
- **Oven** Electrolux Pyrolytic 60cm 80L stainless steel; Electrolux EOK76030X built-in

- 60cm with grill in stainless steel
- **Hotplate** Electrolux EHET96CS, 90cm ceramic
- **Dishwasher** Electrolux ESL67040R, 60cm fully integrated
- **Refrigerators** Fully integrated
- **Sink** Kubic double-bowl square undermount stainless steel
- **Taps** Methven Kiri sink mixer

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"Apart from being a show-stopping barbecue, this is a full outdoor kitchen, allowing the owners to entertain day or night without the hassle of running inside the house. The dishwasher makes cleaning up a breeze and the recycled timber bench by Tim Kennedy of Bowerbird Saved Timbers is an amazing feature. This functional kitchen also has hidden elements and is easy to use due to the integrated fridge and tuck-away doors from Häfele. The feature LED lighting also adds to the mood of an evening, making it a great place for summer nights."

Manufacturer: Stuart Dougall for Melbourne Contemporary Kitchens



EXPERT TIP

Turn an outdoor kitchen into a feature of the home by using a dramatic colour scheme or design. The red in this outstanding kitchen is offset against the pool and really makes it pop.

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- melbournecontemporarykitchens.com
- **Cabinet doors** Laminex Metaline
- **Panels** Laminex Metaline
- **Internal hardware** Häfele Grass, Häfele Hawa Concepta tuck-away doors
- **Benchtop** 75mm spotted gum reclaimed by Bowerbird Timbers
- **Splashback** Laminex Metaline white and red
- **Handles** Häfele
- **Kickboards** Spotted gum
- **Lighting** LED strip
- **Cooktop** Electrolux barbecue

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EXPERT TIP

Design to maximise views and natural light.

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ISLAND ENTERTAINER

"These homeowners are a professional couple who wanted their new kitchen to be modern and fresh. The room is at the rear of a large period home so our challenge was to plan around the existing fireplace, chimney and shared brick wall of the house next door. We also incorporated the laundry behind bi-fold doors and added a small storage room behind the sliding door. This kitchen is bathed in natural light and oriented to make the most of the views into the yard. We selected Ramano white granite for the benchtops and splashback for its textural quality and earthy tones. It's a beautiful stone that offsets the bright white of the cupboards. The large island bench and overhang is designed for casual dining and is complemented by the wall of bi-fold doors for easy outdoor entertaining. Contemporary large-format floor tiles were selected for their earthy tone and complement the benchtop and Tesrol Fino Anthracite joinery."

Designer: Karen Agnew of Better Bathrooms & Kitchens

Manufacturer: Better Bathrooms & Kitchens



We love the thick stone benchtops and large-format tiles.

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- justbetter.com.au
- **Cabinetry** Two-pack gloss Royal Oyster paint, Tesrol Fino Anthracite melamine contrasts
- **Internal hardware** Blum Intivo
- **Benchtop** Ramano white granite

- **Handles** Hettich Anzio
- **Splashback** Ramano white granite, two-pack Royal Oyster paint
- **Lighting** LED downlights
- **Oven** Miele
- **Cooktop/hotplate** Miele
- **Rangehood/canopy** Schweigen
- **Dishwasher** Miele

- **Refrigerator** Electrolux
- **Sink** Franke, KBX
- **Taps** Oliveri

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We love the two chandeliers, which add a touch of old-world charm.



EXPERT TIP

Traditional touches are balanced with modern appliances for a clean yet elegant design.



WIDE APPEAL

"The owners of this heritage-style Queenslander approached us to design their new kitchen after they saw one of our projects in *Kitchens & Bathrooms Quarterly*. Their brief was to create a practical, family-friendly space that was elegant and stylish but not too ornate. It also had to have a cosy feel but be suitable for entertaining. This kitchen is special because it blends seamlessly with the rest of the home and the elegant furniture surrounding it. Standout features include our signature Dana-style mantel, the butler's sink, door-style end panels and the unique furniture-style design of the jarrah timber double-layer benchtop, which adds to the kitchen's classic look. As the benchtop is long and wide and features a high-gloss finish, it feels like an elegant dining table rather than an island bench. A Carrara marble benchtop with lambs-tongue-edge detail wraps around the kitchen and provides plenty of workspace, while ample storage is found in furniture ply cabinetry and drawers that line the space."

Designer: Bo Jensen for Dana Kitchens

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- **danakitchens.com.au**
- **Cabinetry/panels** Hand-painted Washington style
- **Mouldings** Tudor style
- **Internal hardware** Blum Tandemblox stainless steel
- **Benchtop** Carrara marble 30mm with lambs-tongue-edge detail, island: 140mm jarrah plank-style timber with 60mm lambs-tongue-edge detail
- **Handles** Nover white porcelain and black steel
- **Splashback** Carrara marble
- **Kickboards** Exposed skinner style
- **Lighting** Supplied by owner
- **Flooring** Existing
- **Paint** Hand-painted
- **Oven** Belling 1100 upright stainless steel
- **Rangehood** Smeg
- **Dishwasher** Asko
- **Refrigerator** Samsung
- **Sink** Shaw
- **Taps** Nicolazzi

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EXPERT TIP

To create design movement, use a variety of materials such as timber, copper, steel, granite and glass.





We love the two-pack-painted art panel with feature oxide, created in the workshop with the help of the client to produce the desired pattern.



DESIGN MOVEMENT MEETS PRACTICALITY

"Our clients were looking for a kitchen with a difference, combined with the request for a large family kitchen, which would be the hub of their home. However, they didn't have a big budget to work with. Their needs were a concealed desk (which was placed behind bifold doors) and a large pantry to suit the family who enjoy cooking with herbs, spices and condiments. A blackboard for notices was also on the wishlist, together with bookcases, open shelves, an appliance cabinet, a toaster and kettle niche near the sink, plus lots of drawers to house their many cooking utensils. The design was created to allow movement. The island features a recycled timber top and matching slatted shelves at one end. This had to be built around a steel post so we incorporated steel legs on the island and had the steel finished in an oxide rust finish. A raised recycled timber servery was also used behind the sink to give movement in height and diffuse the sink work area from the alfresco space. Below this raised top, we created a two-pack-painted art panel with feature oxide, created in the workshop with the client assisting to create the desired pattern. Other features include inserting a round porthole-style window facing into the home office. This window had to be placed to allow the glass splashback to follow the curve of the window, yet still align to the servery. To add to the design movement, we used stained oak on the tall cabinets, a copper canopy, granite benchtops and glass splashback."

Designer/manufacture: Peter Gill for Kitchens by Peter Gill, CKD, CBD, COID

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- **kitchensbypetergill.com.au**
- **Cabinets** New Antique White laminate with oak-stained veneer
- **Benchtops** Recycled timber and granite

- **Splashbacks** Glass
- **Island** Feature oxide finish to steelwork
- **Cooker** Falcon
- **Sink** Franke
- **Canopy** Rivendale
- **Dishwasher** Bosch

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***We love** the glass Dulux Blue Balm splashback that gives this kitchen a warm and inviting feel.*

A COLOUR COMBINATION

"These homeowners wanted the kitchen to reflect the feeling of canal living. It is the hub of the home so it was essential to create an open and inviting space. The materials selected are beautiful, calming and homely. The glass splashback creates a coastal feel and captures the reflection of the canal. This kitchen is the perfect mix of aesthetics and functionality. With plenty of space, it can easily accommodate the family and with ample storage, all items have their place, which creates an organised environment."

Designer: Chloe Clarke for Garsden & Clarke





EXPERT TIP

For an ultra-modern kitchen, you can't go wrong with stainless-steel accessories.



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■ garsdenclarke.com.au

■ **Cabinet doors** Two-pack, plain-face, 3mm pencil-round edge in Resene Double Blanc; veneer, plain-face, vertical grain in Noce Daniela

■ **Handles** Stefano Orlati

■ **Benchtop** Smart Stone Vanilla

■ **Splashback** Glass in Dulux Blue Balm

■ **Oven** Miele

■ **Dishwasher** Miele

■ **Cooktop** Miele

■ **Stem oven** Miele

■ **Refrigerator** Smeg

■ **Rangehood** Miele

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We love the mix of gloss-white, charcoal and metal finishes against the mixed timber flooring.

MODERN OVERHAUL

"While there wasn't scope to change the basic layout of this renovated kitchen, the redesign provided a modern overhaul with a lot more storage. We extended the breakfast bar to match the length of the back wall so we could add cabinets on the front while still keeping the seating space. We replaced most of the cabinets on the back with drawers that make better use of space, along with shadow handles that create nice clean lines. The colour scheme is slick and modern with an interesting mix of charcoal finishes on the cabinets, glass splashback and textured wood-grain laminate of the island. This work really well with the stainless-steel, gloss-steel pendant lights and brushed-aluminium kickboards, set against the gloss-white cabinets and stone benchtop. Overall, it's a design that's really practical and a colour scheme that won't date."

Designer: Marc Silcock for Designer Kitchens



EXPERT TIP

Where possible, replace bottom cabinets with drawers to make the best use of available space.



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- **designerkitchens.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors & panels**
Laminex New Graphite
Crystal Gloss, Formica
Streetlight Gloss
- **Panels** Parbury Riga Zinc
on island
- **Internal hardware** Blum
- **Kickboards** Brushed
aluminium-look laminate
- **Handles** Shadow
handles, Tekform handles
- **Benchtop** Smartstone
Astral 40mm
- **Splashback** Painted glass
- **Flooring** Timber
- **Lighting** Warm LED
strip lights and
feature pendants
- **Oven** AEG BE5012001M
- **Cooktop** SMEG SIPH273S
- **Rangehood** Undermount
- **Dishwasher** Bosch
- **Refrigerator** Bosch
- **Sink** Oliveri NP6IU
undermount
- **Taps** Oliveri KE2030

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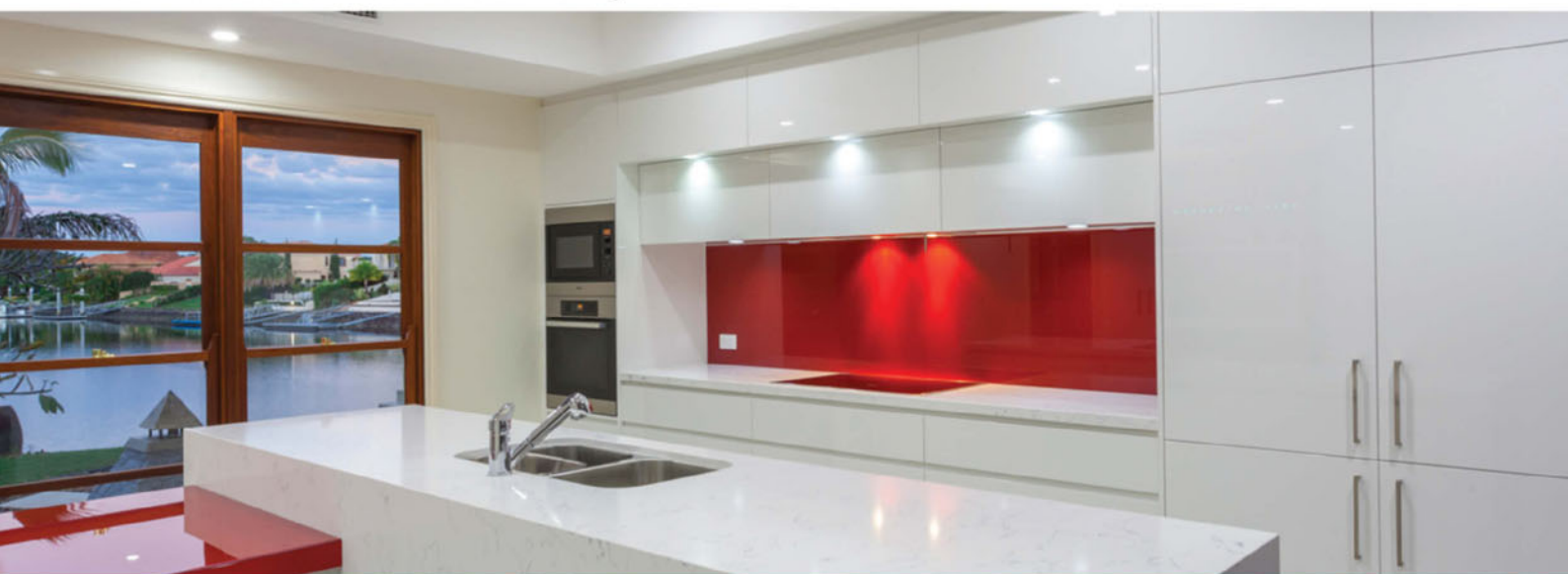
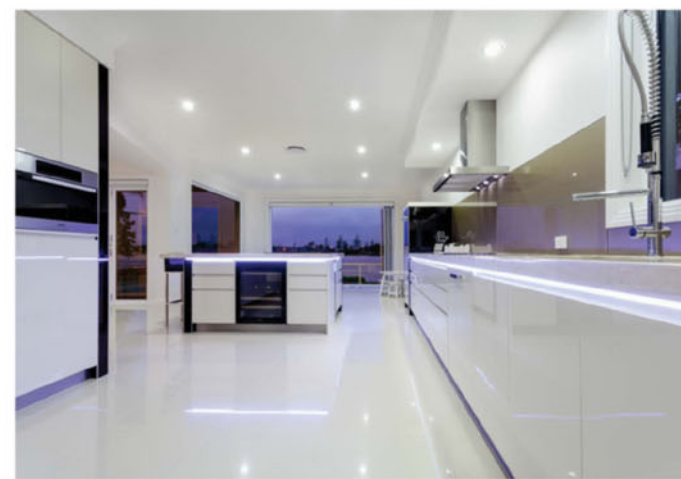
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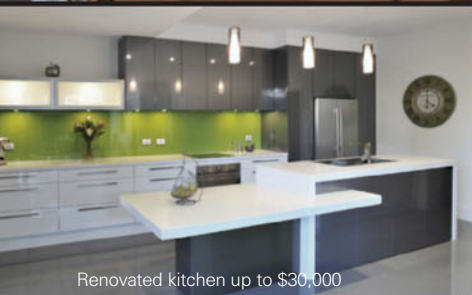
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Designer: Alan Schull for Kitchen Shop Qld





***We love** the timeless simplicity of black and white.*

EXPERT TIP

High kickboards make island benches look less bulky.



SHOP THE LOOK

- **kitchenshop.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors** Two-pack gloss in white
- **Panels** Two-pack gloss in white
- **Kickboards** Brushed aluminium metal on laminate
- **Internal hardware** Blum hinges, Blum TANDEMBOX drawers and corner drawer unit, Vauth-Sagel pull-out pantry
- **Handles** Stefano Orlati

- **Benchtop** Angola Black granite 40mm
- **Splashback** Black toughened glass
- **Oven** Miele integrated
- **Rangehood** Miele integrated
- **Dishwasher** Miele
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Manufacturer: Kevin Carnell for Kitchens Victoria





EXPERT TIP

Just because your splashback is white, doesn't mean it can't be a feature. By simply turning the tiles on an angle, this splashback turns into a visual effect.

We love the dramatic pendant lights above the island bench. The black tones offset the white brilliantly.



SHOP THE LOOK

- kitchensvictoria.com.au
- **Cabinet doors** Polytec laminate Alabaster Matt, Polytec laminate feature Native Zebrano Matt
- **Panels** Polytec laminate Alabaster Matt, Polytec laminate feature Native Zebrano Matt
- **Benchmark** 20mm Caesarstone Snow
- **Splashback** White gloss tiles, lantern mosaic tiles
- **Kickboards** Laminate Fossil
- **Floor** Tasmanian oak
- **Paint** Whisper white
- **Oven** Bosch
- **Cooktop** Bosch
- **Rangehood** Blanco Undermount
- **Dishwasher** Asko
- **Refrigerator** Westinghouse

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"A stylish blast from the past, this retro kitchen is full of personality. The client asked for a modern take on the retro kitchen, something cool and funky to complement the house and the area. The Mynt Interiors in-house design team worked closely with the client to design this delightful space. Cosy shades of duck-egg blue and cream set the tone for this sunny space, their pastel hues balanced by the crisp-white Corian benchtop. A bank of rippled-glass-doored cupboards stands centre stage, reminiscent of a classic oversized storage unit. Offering ample room for groceries and crockery, they also feature vintage-inspired chrome handles imported from the United States. Small details such as the rounded corner shelves under the bench stir memories of grandma's kitchen, while the freestanding oven range warms this modern room with echoes of the past. Underneath the retro looks are the best of modern appliances and fittings. The fridge-freezer is concealed behind retro-chic timber-veneer doors, and cabinets feature soft-close drawer runners. Bright-green appliances add the final touch of vintage charm. In every way, this kitchen masters a mix of old and new to create a stylish and inviting space."

Designer: Dean Psaila for Mynt Interiors





EXPERT TIP

The team from Mynt Interiors chose duck-egg blue to suit the sunny aspect of the kitchen.



We love the vintage look of the rippled glass doors and curved corner shelves.

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■ **Cabinetry** 16mm white velvet HMR particleboard with 1mm white PVC edging; 18mm inlaid two-pack duck-egg blue with matching edging; Laminex timber veneer 'Jarrah' fridge/freezer and desk with matching edging

■ **Panels** Two-pack above and below bench

■ **Internal hardware** Blum METABOX soft-close drawers, Häfele integrated bin

■ **Benchmark** 30mm Corian Glacier White with square edge

■ **Handles** Doors knobs and drawers D pulls (supplied by client)

■ **Splashback** Tiles

■ **Floor** Timber (existing)

■ **Lighting** LED strip

■ **Sink** Corian single integrated with routed drainer grooves

■ **Oven** Ascot 1000mm A10FF-6T freestanding

■ **Rangehood** Schweigen 1000mm UM1170-95 undermount

■ **Dishwasher** Miele 600mm GS775SCVIXL fully integrated

■ **Microwave** Panasonic freestanding NN-ST669W

■ **Fridge** Electrolux ERM3701WDL integrated

■ **Freezer** Electrolux EFM3001WDR integrated

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***We love** the bold wave pattern
used on the splashback.*

EXQUISITE ENTERTAINING

"Even though this waterfront property was practically new, the owners were in desperate need of an open-plan design that would capitalise on the magnificent views and grandeur of their home. The end result is truly amazing and includes several key design elements and premium finishes that saw Lee Hardcastle honoured with the KBDi Australian Kitchen Designer of the Year 2013 award. Removing the wall separating the kitchen from the living areas opened the entire space and allowed the plunge pool outside to be seen directly from the kitchen. A premium mix of glossy and matt surfaces, together with the striking coved and grooved wave splashback and integration of the fridge and freezer, create a seamless and prestigious design. As entertaining is an important part of the owners' lifestyle, a stunning natural marble was used to elongate the island and highlight the inclusion of a fireplace. The reverse side of the marble block holds two wine fridges, while the two ovens behind and a concealed custom wall cabinet provide ample storage, perfectly suited to a luxury kitchen."

Designer: Lee Hardcastle for Enigma Interiors



EXPERT TIP

Designating certain areas of the kitchen to different functions can create a more adaptable, multipurpose space.



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■ **enigmainterior.com.au**

■ **Cabinet doors** Two-pack white gloss

■ **Internal hardware** Blum black Intivo with smoked-glass sides

■ **Benchmark** Staron Qasair white, 12mm cooking edge and 80mm island edge

■ **Feature** Grigio Carnico marble front island box and fireplace display

■ **Splashback** 12mm Staron Qasair white

■ **Panels** Two-pack black gloss surrounds

■ **Handles** Top mounted G-handle profile

■ **Wall** Wallpaper surrounding and inside the spin cabinet, colour Waves

■ **Appliances** V-ZUG

■ **Cooktop** V-ZUG 77cm induction

■ **Rangehood** V-ZUG wall hood Levante

■ **Sinks** Franke undermount Onyx

■ **Taps** Abey Gessi Quadro Hi-Tech

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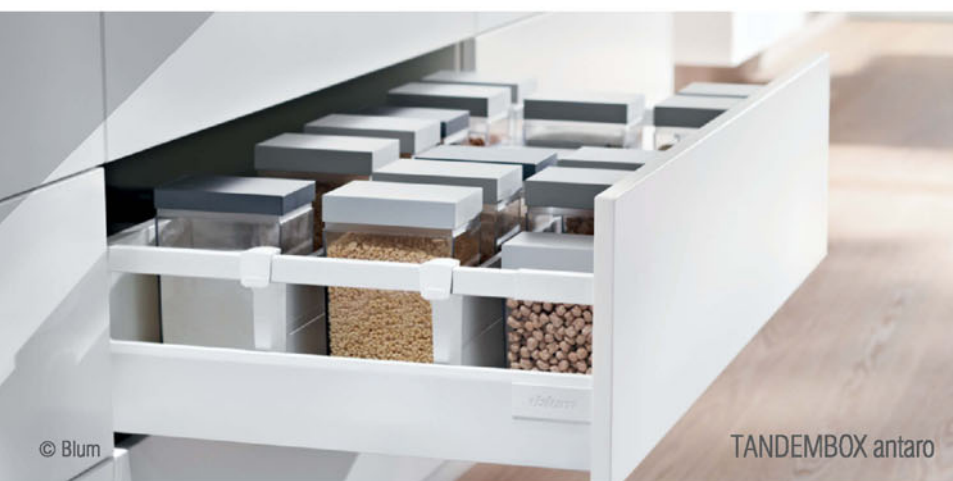
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EXPERT TIP

Utilise internal hardware to maximise available storage.

INDUSTRIAL INSPIRATION

"This kitchen refurbishment is a blend of industrial-inspired and contemporary design. It has many visible and concealed features and combines textured charcoal two-pack paint, white-gloss overhead cupboards, a crisp-white Quantum Quartz benchtop and recycled timber. We extended the kitchen by 1m, added a new window and made a feature of the exposed new brickwork. The sink is tucked in along this bench and the adjacent bench features a personalised glass splashback. We discussed the idea with the homeowners and settled on a subtle black-and-white digi-print of the family at the beach at Phillip Island. Our customers sourced the timber for the island bench through a local builder and decided on this because it has a lot of character. The corners feature finger joints, which add another layer of design detail and add to the industrial-inspired design."

Designer: Ben Schultz





***We love** the personalised
glass splashback.*



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- **rosemountkitchens.com.au**
- **Cabinetry** Two-pack charcoal textured paint, Dulux Vivid White high gloss
- **Panels** Two-pack charcoal textured paint
- **Internal hardware** Blum, Häfele
- **Benchtop** Quantum Quartz Bianco Venato, feature island bench in recycled solid timber
- **Handles** Stainless steel
- **Splashback** Glass digi-print photo
- **Kickboards** Matching two-pack paint with integrated drawers
- **Lighting** Twin black pendants
- **Oven** Fisher & Paykel
- **Cooktop/hotplate** Bosch
- **Rangehood/canopy** Qasair undermount rangehood
- **Refrigerator** Samsung stainless-steel two-door fridge
- **Sink** Steile undermount sink

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STRIKING CONTRAST

"The house is a renovated Californian Bungalow so we chose a design that would complement the heritage of the home while also keeping it modern. Shaker-style doors are typical of that era, but the black-and-white colour scheme gives it a modern edge and makes it more striking than the previous all-white kitchen. It's still, however, a timeless look and colour scheme that won't go out of fashion. We played with opposites with the black and white of the cabinets and benchtops as well as the tiled wall and floor. The space is dark so we extended the window for more natural light and incorporated lighting into the overhead cabinets. The glass doors also give the cabinets a lighter look rather than looking too solid or heavy. Even though the tiles are black, they are high gloss so they also help reflect light, not to mention looking great alongside the black older-style freestanding oven, which is a real feature."

Designer: Dimitris Stefanidis for Room Four





EXPERT TIP

Glass overhead cabinets can lighten the look of full-height cabinets.



We love the black subway tiles for an older-style feel with a modern edge.



SHOP THE LOOK

- **roomfour.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors & panels** Shaker-style two-pack satin finish in white and black
- **Internal hardware** Hettich
- **Mouldings** MDF
- **Handles** Hettich Cirpi knobs and Ventana handles
- **Benchmark** Caesarstone Jet Black and Snow White 40mm
- **Splashback** Black porcelain subway tiles
- **Kickboards** Two-pack satin finish in white and black

- **Flooring** White glossy tile 60x60mm
- **Oven/cooktop** Belling Richmond B900 DBF
- **Rangehood** Belling GDA IT90B
- **Dishwasher** ASKO
- **Refrigerator** Fisher & Paykel
- **Sink** Fairhaven double bowl
- **Taps** Franke

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MOCHA TONES

"The space we had to work with was a pretty tight U shape so it was important to keep the cabinets and drawers as streamlined as possible, with finger rails instead of handles and a plain profile in white gloss to avoid closing in the space. We picked up on the lovely mocha tones of the timber in the painted splashback to break up the all-white space but still keep it neutral rather than introducing another colour. Instead of using a white benchtop, we chose Caesarstone Frosty Carrina, which is a soft ivory white with powdery grey veins, with a marble-like look that is really elegant. To avoid the extra cost of integrating the dishwasher, the client chose a white dishwasher that blends in nicely with the cabinets. This allows the canopy rangehood and oven in stainless steel to become the focal point to draw the eye into the kitchen."

Designer: Nikool Kotecha for Damco Kitchens



***We love** the colour of the splashback, which picks up on the tones of the timber flooring.*

EXPERT TIP

Cabinets and drawers without handles help streamline small spaces.

SHOP THE LOOK

- damcokitchens.com.au
- **Cabinet doors & panels**
Two-pack white gloss
- **Kickboards** Two-pack white gloss
- **Internal hardware**
Hettich Innotech drawers and Sensys hinges
- **Benchtop** Caesarstone Frosty Carrina
- **Handles** Bevelled edge with finger rail
- **Splashback** Glass
- **Flooring** Timber
- **Lighting** Hettich

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A CONTEMPORARY CLASSIC

"A modern open-plan kitchen, this room is functional for family living and entertaining and maximising the views and light. Designed by Michelle Hosking for Quattro Architecture, we love the large island bench, hidden appliance cupboard, pull-out pantry unit and wrap-around full-height storage extending from the kitchen into the dining area. The kitchen is fully integrated within the house and the joinery throughout helps to create rooms and spaces, rather than just pieces within the rooms. The kitchen unfolds to become part of the dining space. The finishes emphasise each function of the joinery, which was built by Impala Kitchens & Bathrooms"

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- **impala.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors** Gloss polyurethane
- **Panels** Tru Grain Veneer
- **Internal hardware** Häfele and Blum
- **Benchmark** Corian White Jasmine
- **Handles** Hettich
- **Lighting** Tovo
- **Oven** Miele
- **Dishwasher** Bosch
- **Cooktop** Electrolux
- **Refrigerator** Electrolux
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- **Sink** Abey
- **Taps** KWC Eve

- **Wine fridge** Vintec
- **Coffee machine** Miele

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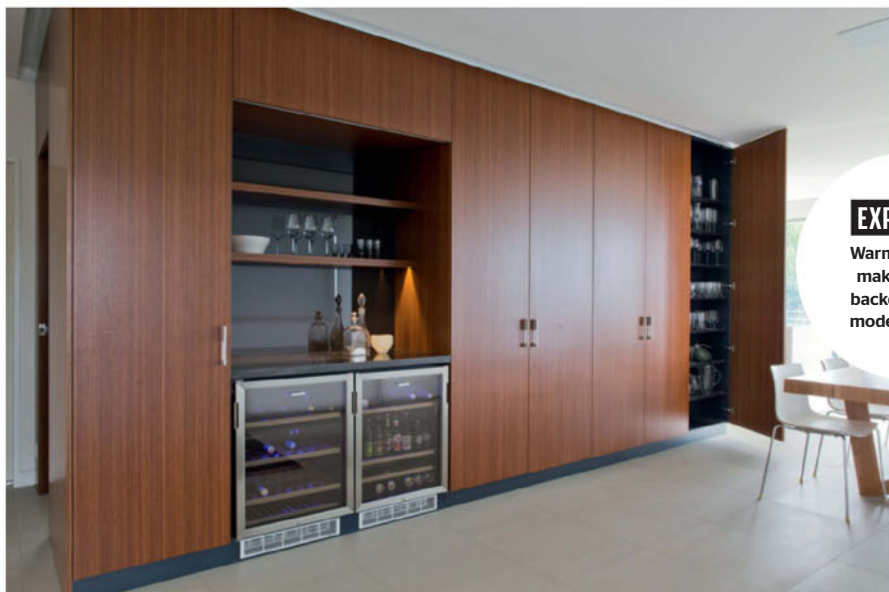
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We love how the kitchen seems to disappear into the walls as the extended height of the cupboards and the bulkheads reach towards the ceiling.





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"Many things make this room special but most of all, it's the enjoyment the owners get from it. To make what was such a dark room with no character look spectacular was a challenge but now with the large opening in the brick wall, everyone wants to step into the kitchen the moment they enter the house. This was important to the owners, as they wanted a space they would not only enjoy but could also use to entertain guests. Functionality was also a key consideration; swing-up shelves for heavy appliances, inner drawers to save bending down, slide-out bins and corner mechanisms to utilise those areas that are normally hard to reach. The kitchen is now a central part of the home, with its beautifully flowing natural granite benchtops and a stunning outdoor view of the highlands country."

Designer: Alan Schull for Kitchen Shop Qld

EXPERT TIP

LEDs make it easy to have powerful lighting without the expense.



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- **kitchenshop.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors and panels** White gloss two-pack polyurethane
- **Internal hardware** Blum hinges, drawer runners, hardware and Servo-Drive "push to open"
- **Benchtop and splashback** Azul Macauba Angel quartzite 20mm
- **Kickboards** Brushed aluminium laminate
- **Oven** Smeg DOSCA36X double
- **Rangehood** Westinghouse EFG750X/A
- **Dishwasher** Blanco
- **Sink** Oliveri 1¼ underslung

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OPEN PLAN

"This kitchen was built as part of a luxurious, open-plan new home. The homeowners were after functionality and sophistication, which suited their modern and very luxe lifestyle. As the kitchen is part of the open-plan family living space, we created a visual division to the kitchen zone using a second island with an uninterrupted Calacatta marble benchtop and dark-timber-look textured laminate, which coordinates with the home's dark-timber floor and stained-oak windows. The contrasting palette of white-gloss cupboards and the dark-timber look, as well as clean lines and integrated appliances, were selected to combine this enormous kitchen with the rest of the home."

Designer: Belinda McKibbin for Smith & Smith Kitchens



***We love** the large second island where friends can interact while meals are being prepared.*

EXPERT TIP

To create divisions in open-plan rooms, use horizontal symmetry.

SHOP THE LOOK

- **smithandsmith.com.au**
- **Cabinetry** Satin two-pack polyurethane in Dulux Vivid White, Lamicolor Mattline HPL in Wenge Loft, textured finish
- **Internal hardware** Hettich soft-close
- **Benchmark** Calacatta marble with 60mm mitred edge
- **Splashback** Bronze mirrored glass
- **Handles** Concealed shadowline, Häfele stainless-steel tall cupboards
- **Ovens** Bosch

- **Cooktop** Miele
- **Rangehood** Qasair Argyle
- **Sink** Franke
- **Refrigerator** Fisher & Paykel
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ELEGANT LIVING

"This open-plan kitchen is a sophisticated blend of classic French provincial details and modern integrated storage solutions. It is the centrepiece of the family home and overlooks the living area so it's important to keep the kitchen free of clutter. Our aim was to provide the homeowners with an abundance of storage and a luxurious amount of bench space. The colonial cream granite adds texture and colour to the design and the corbels, fluted posts and rondels make the island bench stand out as a beautiful piece of joinery. Other mouldings were selected to blend with the period features of the home. The cooking zone is also defined by the Belling oven and mantel and is offset by the internally illuminated display cupboards and under-cabinet lighting. The pendant light adds a final touch of traditional elegance to what is otherwise a kitchen with all-modern conveniences."

Designer: Nathan Wundersitz for Space Craft Joinery

Manufacturer: Space Craft Joinery





EXPERT TIP

Consider the island bench as a piece of furniture.



*We love
the elegant
simplicity of
restrained
detail.*

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■ **spacecraftjoinery.com.au**

■ **Cabinetry** Two-pack half-strength solver Antique White paint with walnut patina wash to doors, solid Tasmanian oak, flat panel with bolelection mould

■ **Panels** Two-pack half-strength solver Antique White paint with walnut patina wash to doors, solid Tasmanian oak, flat panel with bolelection mould

■ **Internal hardware** Hettich pivot door, Blum soft-close doors and drawers

■ **Handles** Castella antique brass wireware handles and knobs

■ **Mouldings** Tuscan top moulding with dental,

fluted posts and rondels, hand-carved corbels to mantel and island ends

■ **Benchtop** 30mm Colonial Cream granite with lamb's-tongue profile

■ **Tiles** Cotswold Satin Buttermilk

■ **Kickboards** Plinth base to island

■ **Lighting** Hettich LED under-cabinet lighting

■ **Oven** Belling

■ **Rangehood/canopy** Belling

■ **Dishwasher** Miele integrated

■ **Refrigerator** Fisher & Paykel fridge/freezer

■ **Sink** Oliveri

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RUSTIC CHARM

"The owners of this enchanting kitchen were after functionality, comfort and charm. The exclusive design caters to the owners' love of entertaining and cooking together — from baking treats to carving meat. Both owners have full access to the kitchen while maintaining their own space. 'We absolutely love the two benchspaces and ovens,' say the owners. 'We can both work at the same time without disturbing the other. It's very functional.' The use of raw metals, recycled wood and vintage fixtures offset the colourful contemporary cabinetry eloquently. This whimsical mix of modern vintage adds instant character, light, movement and appeal. All the ingredients necessary for a happy relationship have been catered for. It's rustic, playful and picturesque."

Designer: Barbara Pettigrew for The Kitchen Place



EXPERT TIP

To brighten a kitchen, use shots of colour on a cabinet or two.



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■ **thekitchenplace.com.au**

■ **Cabinetry** High-gloss two-pack paint – Dulux Lexicon quarter strength, Wattyl Bella Blue, Wattyl Calendula

■ **Internal hardware** Blum stainless-steel cutlery; Häfele stainless-steel bin unit, oil spice unit and custom-made stainless-steel shelves

■ **Benchtop** Quarella Gris Antracita 40mm

■ **Sink** Deerfield undermount

■ **Handles** Häfele

■ **Lighting** LED strip, hanging light mintandmoss.com.au

■ **Oven** Smeg freestanding oven, Neff steam oven and warmer

■ **Dishwasher** Miele integrated

■ **Refrigerator** Liebherr fridge, Westinghouse freezer

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"One of the things that instantly stands out when you see this striking kitchen renovation is the way it flawlessly merges provincial style with modern design. The original space was an awkward, enclosed U shape, cut in half by a walkway and separate pantry. We corrected this and by installing an island and transforming the rear bench into an L shape, made this space more streamlined. This kitchen has also been designed to ensure everything is easy to access and workstations are clearly zoned, which maximises available space and makes the room highly functional. The Caesarstone-topped island with waterfall edge accommodates lots of under-bench cabinets and drawers, and has a breakfast bar for casual meals or a chat. The rear benchtop, also Caesarstone, offers generous storage space for the family's kitchenware. With a simple colour palette of black, white and grey, this kitchen exudes elegance and functionality."

Designer: Jeff Richards for Ultimate Kitchens

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- **ultimatekitchens.com.au**
- **Benchtop** Caesarstone with waterfall edge
- **Splashback** Glass
- **Kickboards** Stainless steel
- **Flooring** Ceramic tiles
- **Oven** ILVE
- **Rangehood** Highlander canopy
- **Dishwasher** Bosch

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EXPERT TIP

Divide workstations into zones to maximise space.



**EXPERT TIP**

Dark colours in reflective or gloss finishes will reflect light rather than making a space too dark.

BOLD MOVE

"The client didn't want to play it safe and was keen for a bold kitchen that would stand out and be the focus of the modern extension. White was never an option for the cabinets; instead we chose two contrasting wood-grain laminates in a light and dark charcoal and kept crisp white for the benchtop. You need to be careful when mixing textured laminates but these two work because you have the mix of the darker gloss finish, which is great because it also reflects light even though it is a dark colour, and the lighter tactile matt finish for some texture. We added the unit at the end of the island to create some interest and change the shape of the island from the typical rectangle. The client loves the nook on the inside of the island so she can sit on a stool to prepare dinner or chat to family or guests sitting opposite."

Designer: Markus Sawatzki for Let's Talk Kitchens & Interiors





*We love the contrast of the gloss
and matt laminate finishes.*

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- letstalkkitchens.com.au
- **Main cabinet doors & panels** Galaxy
Ebony Fineline
- **Feature cabinet & overhead cabinets**
Lamicolour
Mattline Larice
- **Kickboards** Polytec
brushed stainless
- **Internal hardware** Blum
and Kessebohmer
- **Benchmark**
Caesarstone snow
- **Splashback** Starphire
glass painted in Ice Tea
- **Handles** Kethy
Latina stainless steel
- **Lighting** Talo
Suspension by Artemide
- **Flooring** Timber
- **Oven** Neff double oven
and warming drawer
- **Cooktop** Neff
gas hotplate
- **Rangehood** Sirius
- **Dishwasher** Asko
- **Sink** Franke

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Designer: Matthew Foti for Carrera Kitchens



We love the impact of LED lighting under the benchtop.

EXPERT TIP

Metallic finishes reflect light and give the illusion of space.



SHOP THE LOOK

- carrerakitchens.com.au
- **Cabinet doors** Carrera Gold two-pack metallic gloss paint and Smoked Oak designer veneer
- **Internal hardware** Blum Tandembox in drawers, Blum Servo Drive Aventos in overhead doors
- **Benchtop** 40mm Smartstone Arcadia
- **Handles** Finger-grip
- **Splashback** Stopsol
- **Kickboards** Brushed aluminium
- **Floor** Polished porcelain
- **Lighting** LED
- **Oven** Bosch
- **Cooktop** Bosch
- **Rangehood** Smeg
- **Dishwasher** Miele integrated

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Designer: Antoinette Easton for Masters Home Improvements – Knoxfield





EXPERT TIP

Glossy surfaces and glass splashbacks help reflect light into dark spaces.

***We love** the seamless benchtop and sink made out of DuPont Satinera.*



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- **masters.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors & panels**
Masters Newport white-gloss vinyl wrap
- **Internal hardware**
Häfele soft-close drawer runner and hinges
- **Handles** Häfele stainless steel
- **Benchtop** DuPont Satinera Autumn
- **Splashback** JELD-WEN low iron glass in Dulux Brewsters
- **Kickboards** Masters Newport
- **Flooring** Masters hardwood

- **Oven** Bosch HBA13B2
- **Cooktop** Bosch PCI815B9
- **Rangehood** Electrolux EFP9500X slide-out
- **Dishwasher** Bosch
- **Refrigerator** Fisher & Paykel
- **Sink** Satinera integrated double bowl
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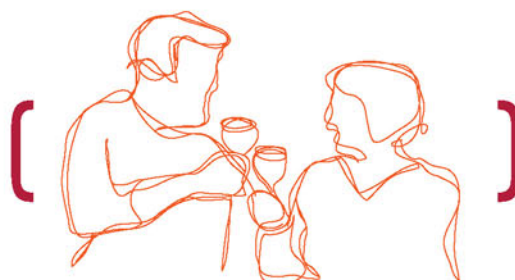
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Designer: Adam Moulday for Rochet Kitchens

Manufacturer: Rochet Kitchens



***We love** the design detail and principles of symmetry, minimal colour and feature timber.*



EXPERT TIP

Select fittings to suit the design concept.



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- **rochetkitchens.com.au**
- **Cabinetry** Tesrol 400 series, satin two-pack quarter-strength Dulux Grand Piano
- **Panels** Tesrol 400 series, satin two-pack quarter-strength Dulux Grand Piano
- **Internal hardware** Blum soft-close drawers and doors, pull-out spice drawers, wicker baskets
- **Benchtop** Stone, solid 60mm jarrah timber to island
- **Splashback** Tiles

- **Kickboards** Decorative plinthboard with two-pack paint in quarter-strength Dulux Grand Piano
- **Lighting** LED lighting at display cupboards
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"The clients wanted an open-plan design that was modern but which also had personality, in keeping with the industrial and rustic feel of the rest of the home. An eclectic approach was taken to marry several different colours and finishes, such as the galvanised mini orb with the beautiful stone benchtop and timber-look laminate. Their passion for cooking dictated design elements such as the separate pantry for preparation and cleaning up, as well as plenty of room to display their recipe books and collection of platters and crockery. Placing the bookshelves next to the fridge allows for easy opening of the fridge, as it's not against the wall. We also made the shelves 25mm thick rather than the standard 16mm to add interest as well as extra strength. To make storage easily accessible and manageable, we used all drawers with heavy-duty runners where possible and made the most of space in the pantry by incorporating lots of open wall and floor cupboards."

Designer: Peter Lague for Innovative Kitchens





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■ **innovativekitchens.com.au**

■ **Cabinet doors & panels** Laminex natural finish in Seductive Limba, Aluframe with mini-orb inserts on overhead cabinets and island back and sides

■ **Internal hardware** Hettich Multitech drawer runners, Hettich Innotech soft-close drawers, twin Euro Cargo bin in drawer, pull-out bin in drawer

■ **Benchtop** Laminex natural finish in Moose, natural stone in Antique Brown gloss on island

■ **Handles** Hettich 9071747

■ **Splashback** Painted glass in aluminium, Laminex natural finish in Moose in pantry

■ **Kickboards** Brushed aluminium

■ **Flooring** Gloss tiles

■ **Lighting** Pendants

■ **Oven** Emilia upright oven with five-burner gas cooktop D195E12

■ **Rangehood** Smeg concealed PASC7801 FPX

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Designed by the homeowners, manufactured by Kaboodle Kitchens

We love the natural harmony of the Hickory Maple benchtops and the garden views.



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- **kaboodle.com.au**
- **Cabinet doors** Kaboodle Vanilla Essence (base cabinet doors) and Olive Dip (tall cabinet doors) from the Kaboodle thermo-formed door range, pressed in an Alpine profile
- **Panels** Kaboodle Vanilla Essence and Olive Dip thermoformed panels
- **Internal hardware** Kaboodle soft close
- **Benchtop** Kaboodle Hickory Maple double laminate, imported from Europe
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There are three new patterns available with a wider vein: Vanilla Noir, Alpine Mist and Calacatta Classic, coming in early 2014.

Offering more delicate organic vein features, Bianco Drift, Clamshell and Summer Rye have been introduced with softer grey and brown tones, while Raw Concrete fuses a desirable industrial concrete look with all the high performance of quartz.

To locate your nearest kitchen showroom, simply click "Where to View" on the Caesarstone website and select one of the new designs.





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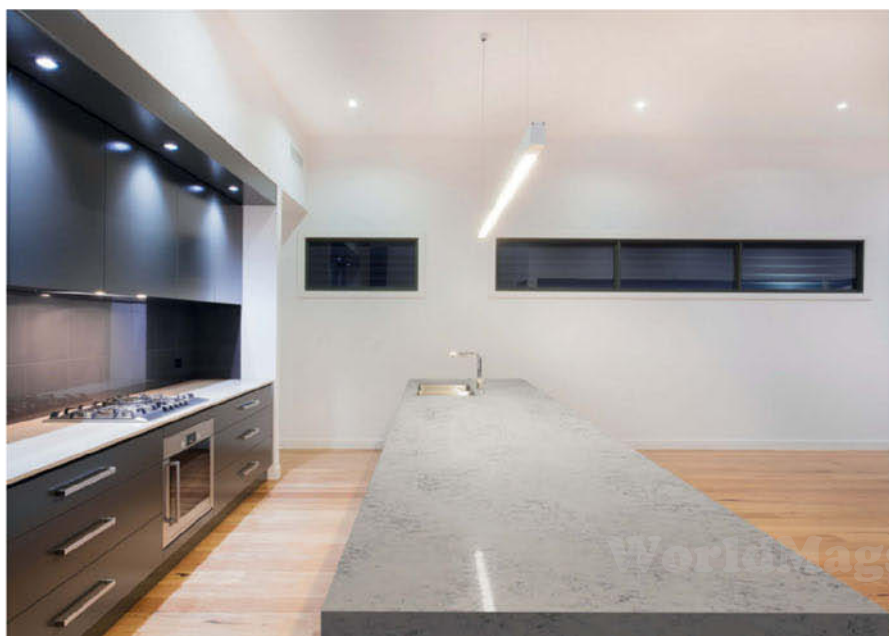


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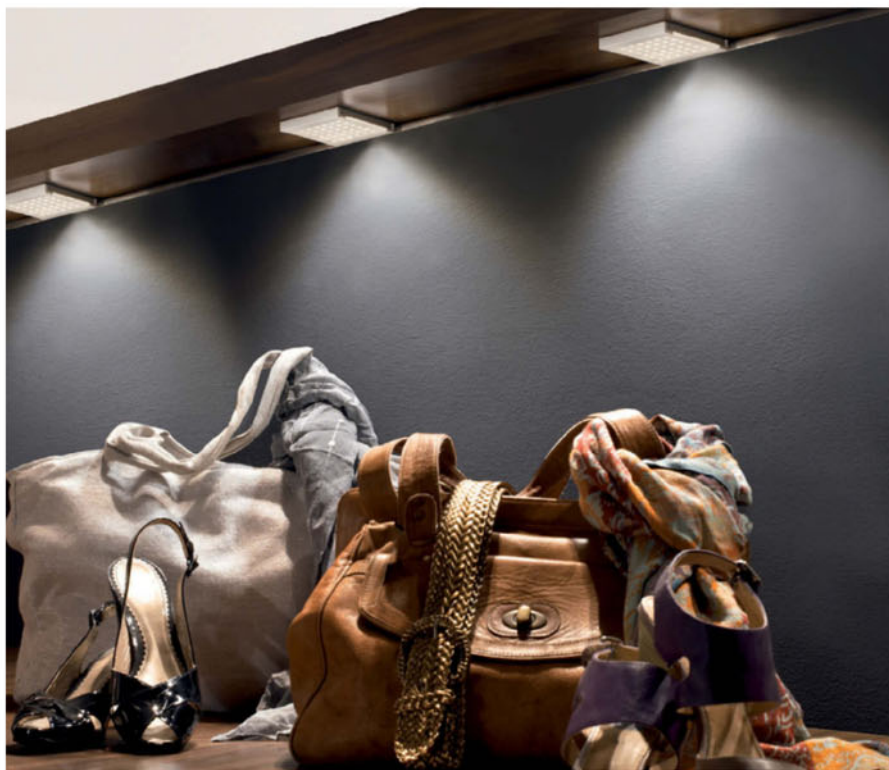
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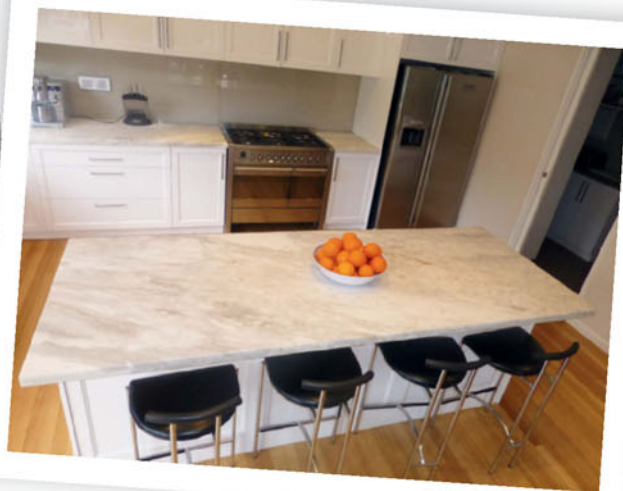


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Matrix from Southern Cross Splashbacks is a great way to give a new kitchen that designer edge. Available in a wide range of stunning colours, from neutrals to brights, finding the perfect match for any surface treatment is easy.

Matrix's lightly rippled surface is glossy Murano glass — as beautiful as it is tough and very easy to clean when finished with stain-proof epoxy grout. Featured above is Truffle. The Matrix palette is expansive — from bright, rich reds and oranges to lively greens, sophisticated greys and subtle neutrals.

With interactive design tools to help you envisage your new kitchen space, the Southern Cross Splashbacks' website is a good place to start your research. Click on the "product visualiser" tab to be guided through the simple step-by-step process to help you see any colour or format combination in a range of real kitchens.

To see the real thing, the company's Mulgrave showroom boasts a wide selection of splashbacks, teamed with complementary benchtops and cabinets. And there are always fully trained and friendly staff ready to advise.

Southern Cross Splashbacks prides itself on producing high-quality, beautiful glass splashbacks. All products are made to order in Mulgrave, Victoria, with short lead times and prompt delivery. Take advantage of the company's expert installation service for a superb result.



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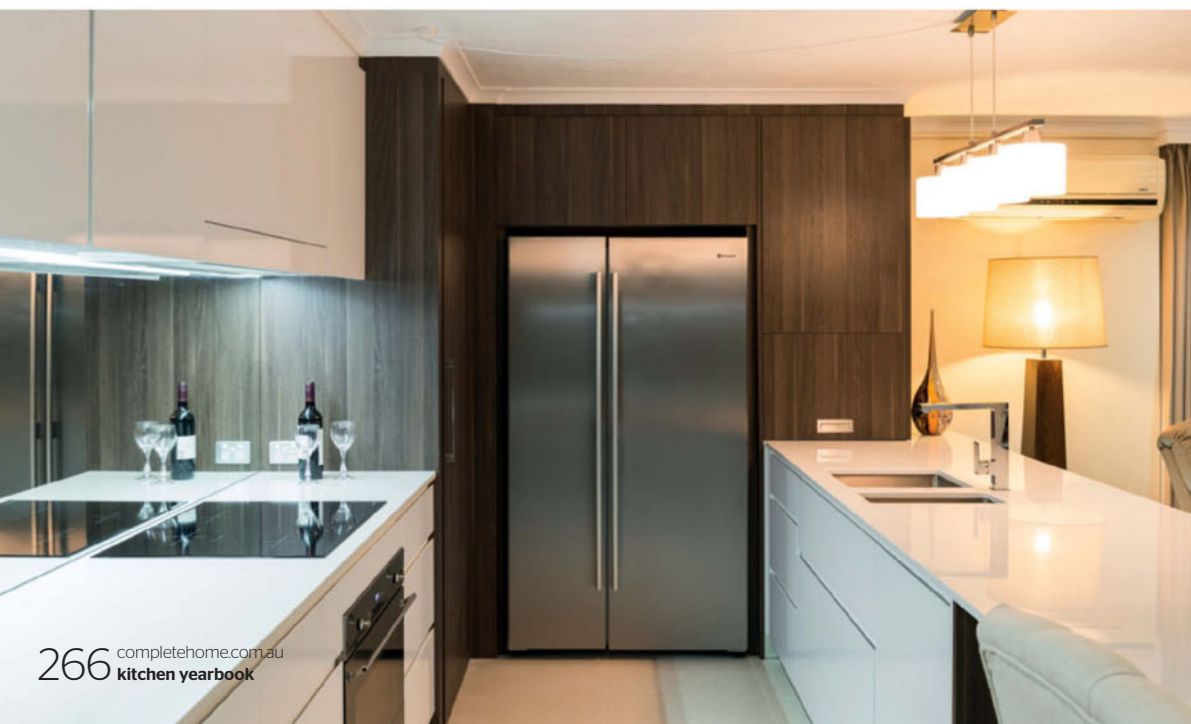
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If the aim of your kitchen design is to make a statement while being impressively practical, you cannot go past the Sonetto range by Oliveri. Sonetto encompasses all of the impressive features of a top-of-the range Oliveri product, while taking a leap ahead in the style stakes. The hand-fabricated Sonetto range features large, deep bowls for soaking a feast of dishes, a superior brushed finish to integrate with modern kitchen appliances, and a Softtone undercoating, which improves heat retention and enables a sound-deadening finish.

The design team then added a low-radius corner of just 25mm, providing a tight designer look that ensures hygienic, easy-clean bowls and increased the stainless-steel thickness to 1.2mm for a lifetime of durability. The micro edge of the Sonetto inset range creates a streamlined look within the kitchen setting.

The range was extended to include an array of bowl sizes and configurations, inset and undermount sinks to ensure your needs are covered. Oliveri has also designed custom accessories to complete your food preparation area.

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DESIGN HORIZONS

The latest innovations in tap design are expanding our design horizons, helping us rethink how taps are used in kitchen design. And the tapware brand leading this revolution is Perrin & Rowe.

From filling the kettle to rinsing vegetables, the kitchen tap is the most-used piece of equipment in the kitchen — maybe even the home. What's more, designers are realising the power of the tap to add all-important detailing that can make or break a kitchen design.

Perfectly balancing function and form, the collection holding the key to cutting-edge design is Perrin & Rowe. Each tap is designed to enhance the kitchen work area visually and practically to create a harmonious space.

With an option to meet any look, from classic and country to contemporary and industrial, Perrin & Rowe kitchen taps incorporate the latest designs and trends to set the tone and visual appeal for the entire space. Sleek, sculptured lines and perfect proportions are brought to life in the contemporary kitchen tap collection, with a choice of chrome, pewter and other finishes available for special order. The classic and country collections embody a softer, more elegant form in chrome, nickel, pewter, gold and English bronze or uncoated bare brass.

Designed expressly for today's kitchen interiors, Perrin & Rowe taps achieve the sought-after look and feel for the island bench, pantry, laundry, bar and salad sink — wherever inspiration strikes. Choose from bench or wall mounting, and porcelain levers or crosshead handles, depending on the practical needs of your space.

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Where manual washing up consumes 40L of water, the Adora uses just 7L when the automatic program is running, making it efficient and environmentally friendly.

With energy bills skyrocketing, power consumption has also been considered and, again, V-ZUG delivers. Set the Adora SL to auto and it will consume a meagre 0.8kWh of power — that's the equivalent of an 80W light globe! Furthermore, if you can connect to warm water, a special function enables power consumption to be reduced by up to 90 per cent and it automatically switches to standby mode when the program ends. Unlike many other appliances, V-ZUG's intelligent electronics offer a standby consumption of 0W.

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Just as noticeable as the colour is the professional performance on the inside. Each of the multifunction ovens – 90cm, 60cm and 60cm double oven with pizza oven – features two combi-steam functions, static steam (no fan) and fan-forced steam. Creating steam from a water reserve in its base, the combi-steam function helps you take advantage of a cooking process that saves time, preserves the food's flavour and is much healthier than standard cooking – no fats and oils required.

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This new thinking is the driving force behind the new Versastyle sink design from IMA Design, an innovative new Australian design company. Merging style and substance, the sink incorporates three bowls into one sleek stainless-steel benchtop. The third bowl is behind the second bowl, which you can connect with an InSinkErator, and the storage channel sits behind the first bowl. This smart arrangement not only works perfectly for busy kitchens, it can also help you save precious dollars on your kitchen budget by eliminating the cost of cutting and polishing sinkholes and minimising the need for benchtop material.

Ideal for kitchens where space is at a premium, all three bowls are contained within a length of 1m. The total size is 1000mm x 600mm, with the three bowls featuring depths of 230mm, 210mm and 140mm respectively, plus a channel depth of 45-50mm.

Ergonomics is a challenge in every kitchen design but the Versastyle sink allows you to complete all the tasks you need to without moving a step or stretching too far. The two front bowls are only 70mm away from the edge of your worktop, rather than 120mm, so you can get closer to the basins without straining your back.

The unit also includes a very useful storage channel at the rear which does not drain to the main sink and can be used to house often-used items such as chopping boards.

With no joints from the wall to the front edge, the sink is not only good looking but also refreshingly easy to clean. Constructed from 1.2mm-thick micro-brushed 18/10 stainless steel, the sink promises quality and durability backed by a 25-year warranty.

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Renovating your kitchen is an exciting and often daunting prospect, especially if you've never renovated before. Cuisine Kitchens guides you through each step, helping you create your perfect kitchen while simplifying your renovation journey.

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ENTERTAINERS' DREAM KITCHEN

A good kitchen can facilitate the production of meals without you having to bat an eye. But a beautiful, well-designed kitchen can inspire you to become the best cook you can be. Add frequent dinner parties and home entertaining to your lifestyle and it can become a necessity. Just ask Rob Sinclair, managing director of E&S Trading and passionate home entertainer.

For Rob, the kitchen is an extension of his bustling social life. Every so often, his open-space kitchen is seen teeming with guests and Rob can be seen whipping up a few of his signature dishes.

With its sleek industrial appliances, spotless white cabinetry and rich hardwood floorboards, Rob's kitchen is set in a classic, contemporary fashion. The attention to detail throughout is pronounced; from the precise alignment of drawer handles to the impeccable cabinetry lines, every nook and cranny of the kitchen is carefully considered.

Because Rob loves to cook and entertain, his kitchen is designed to maximise space and functionality. Ample cabinetry with overhead compartments allow for plenty of storage space. To eliminate clutter, all his appliances are built in and flushed with adjoining cabinetry.

Try spotting his full-sized Sub-Zero fridge, dishwasher or rangehood; they are all elegantly concealed behind matching panels. What takes centre stage is perhaps his prized Gaggenau oven cluster in their unmistakable chrome fronts against the feature light-oak cabinetry.

Rob says the heart of his kitchen is a good-sized island bench where everything seems to converge. "I wanted an island bench in the middle, free of a sink or cooktop," says Rob. "This way, I could gather my guests to drink and

minge, and I can still chop and chat."

All appliances are from E&S Trading: Sub-Zero fridge, Gaggenau ovens, KWC tap, Franke sinks, Siemens dishwasher, Gaggenau cooktop and Sirius rangehood.

For the past 50 years, E&S Trading has been providing Victorians with the highest-quality products and customer service. Established

in 1962, the company today is still owned and run by the Sinclair family, who have paved the way for specialist retailing.

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After more than 20 years in the furniture industry, Peter Walls of Walls Bros Designer Kitchens knows about keeping up with the changing times and how the latest technology and best cabinetry products bring amazing kitchen designs. The company's hard work, attention to detail and ability to respond to client needs is often recognised by leading industry associations, most recently the Housing Industry Association (HIA) South Australia. The Holden Hill-based joinery company won the 2013 HIA-CSR South Australian Kitchen Project award, together with TMA Kitchen Design, for a unique, innovative and technologically advanced kitchen that captured the judge's attention.

Walls Bros Designer Kitchens and TMA Kitchen Design used a number of Hettich products, including the award-winning Sensys hinge for a soft-closing action on doors and drawers, a swivelling Le Mans corner unit for pots and pans, and Hettich's famous InnoTech drawer system that can be tailored to suit any style.

Not only were Walls Bros Designer Kitchens and TMA Kitchen Design one of the major winners at the HIA SA Awards, they also jointly won the New Kitchen Project \$45,001 - \$55,000 and New Kitchen Project over \$55,001 categories. "Stunning", "modern", "high-quality

workmanship", "contemporary", "spectacular" and "attention to detail" have all been used to describe the winning designs.

Walls Bros Designer Kitchens is a partner of cabinetry hardware and fittings manufacturer Hettich, which this year celebrates its 125th year of operation globally and 25th year in Australia and New Zealand. Hettich operates a successful Endorsed Showroom network, which comprises the best showrooms across Australia that stock and supply Hettich products.

"We are delighted with Walls Bros Designer Kitchens' success as it recognises the company's outstanding craftsmanship and commitment to producing innovative designs," says Hettich's national endorsed showroom manager, Corene Roberts. "These qualities are exactly what Hettich looks for in a partner and why Walls Bros Designer Kitchens was selected to be a Hettich Endorsed Showroom."

"Hettich congratulates Walls Bros Designer Kitchens on its successes at the HIA SA awards. We look forward to seeing more of its fantastic work in the near future."

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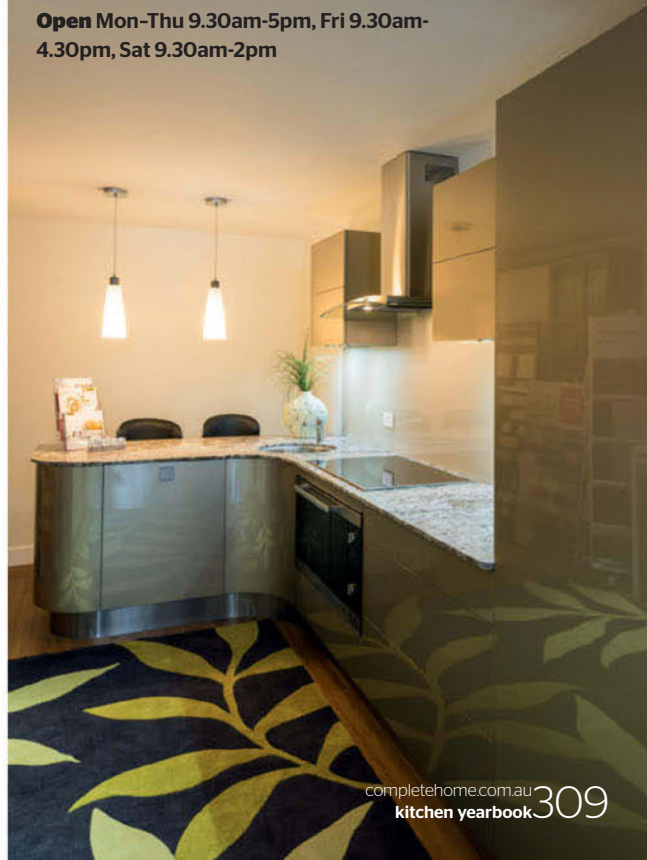
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With a range of kitchens and cabinetry on display, Jag Kitchens stocks examples from Parbury, Laminex, Caesarstone, Smartstone, essastone, Formica, New Age Veneer, Miele, Smeg, Electrolux, Oliveri, Seima, Franke, Clark, Bosch and many more.

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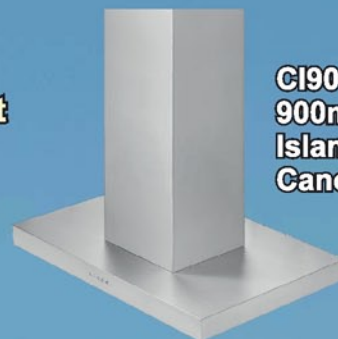


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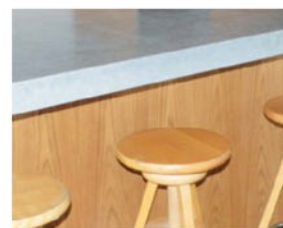


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