



California Classic

WHEN THE OWNERS of this home in the San Francisco Bay Area wanted a larger kitchen, they didn't want to lose any of their property to a room addition. The challenge, therefore, was to enlarge the kitchen without increasing the footprint of the house, while creating space to serve a bustling family with both elegance and timelessness.

Much to the client's delight, designer Mike Sullivan of Norwell Design/Build reconceptualized the space without necessitating a costly addition. Annexing a cramped breakfast nook into the new kitchen doubled the size of the working area. A nonutilized space immediately adjacent was repurposed as the breakfast nook. This gave function to the space and created a stronger connection between the kitchen, nearby den and backyard.

Aesthetically, the goal was to create a West Coast space reminiscent of classic East Coast styling. As this is an older home, the owners also wanted the new kitchen to feel as if it had always been there. To that end, Sullivan chose textured, natural materials that would reflect a sense of age and timelessness. The subtly distressed cherry cabinetry is complemented by a leathery surface texture on the matte-finish granite counters. In addition to creating a stunning focal wall in the classic kitchen, the tumbled limestone also looks lovely in other rooms of this California abode. ✦



DESIGNER

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SPECIAL FEATURES

Subtle distressing on cabinets; peninsula seating; butler's pantry; textured granite counters; limestone feature wall

DIMENSIONS

12 x 11

PRODUCTS USED

Cabinetry: Omega/
Dynasty
Flooring: Oak
Countertops: Granite and
limestone
Sink(s): Elkay
Faucets: Hansgrohe
Dishwasher: Miele
Cooktop: Viking
Refrigerator: GE
Monogram
Wallcovering: Limestone;
wood wainscoting; paint
Oven: GE Monogram

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Natural Beauty

THIS REDESIGN in Vienna, Virginia, used to be a dining room and small kitchen but was completely redone by Alex Rodriguez of Priority One Contractors Corp. to meet every desire of the homeowner. The new design was to incorporate a vaulted ceiling in the existing family room to create a transition between the dining room and kitchen.

It was also important that the new design have privacy from the kitchen to the dining room without losing the natural light emitted from the three front windows. To add the desired seclusion without doing away with the sunlight, Rodriguez used a pocket door with glazed glass.

The small family entertains often, so the space needed to be accommodating for gatherings, while still functioning for simple meals. A desk area provides a space to catch up on paperwork and organize the family's items.

The Architect Series cooktop by KitchenAid is the perfect workspace for a cook interested in entertaining. It provides plenty of area to whip up multiple dishes, and its location in the island allows the chef to interact with all guests. The island is also well-lit, shining a spotlight on the focal point of the room. Granite countertops add a luxurious touch and complement the white oak hardwood floor. In the end, the new design was a perfect addition to the home. ◊



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SPECIAL FEATURES

Multilevel counter
on island, including
cooktop with down draft
hood; pocket doors with
glass glaze for privacy;
desk area

DIMENSIONS

14 X 25

PRODUCTS USED

Cabinetry: Crystal
Flooring: White oak
Countertops: Granite
Sink(s): Elkay
Faucets: Kohler
Dishwasher: Whirlpool
Cooktop: KitchenAid,
Architect Series
Refrigerator: KitchenAid
Wallcovering: Benjamin
Moore
Oven: KitchenAid,
Architect Series
Down draft exhaust vent:
KitchenAid
Lighting: Progress





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Classic Elegance

JEFF AND TERRY Marshall, the owners of this Norwich, Vermont, home, wanted a classic-looking kitchen with a large island and decorative hutch to complement their style. They also entertain often and wanted to incorporate a small bar for this purpose. Designer Clint Maddox of Blodgett's Sash & Door Inc. was ready to take on the challenges of this full remodel.

The homeowners were interested in doing a two-toned color scheme with green and cream finishes. They also wanted the hutch to stand out as a separate piece of furniture. Cabico Custom Cabinetry was the just-right choice for this project. Spruce stain with a brown glaze on the hutch and island contrasts nicely with the rest of the kitchen cabinets, which were done in vanilla lacquer.

For the entertaining area, Maddox designed a bar sink in the island, which faces the beverage cooler. Cabico's mullion glass doors satisfied the homeowners' request for glass in the design. To bring together the green and cream finishes, Maddox used Uba Tuba granite for the countertops. The dark green granite gives the kitchen an elegant look that only granite can. On the reverse side, a cream-colored tile was used for a backsplash, which combined the two-toned theme. With the help of carpenter Steve Kosiorek, Maddox's classic design came to life and will be enjoyed for years to come. »

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SPECIAL FEATURES

Two-tone kitchen with custom hutch; glass doors and a decorative island

DIMENSIONS

21 x 19

PRODUCTS USED

- Cabinetry: Cabico
- Custom Cabinetry: maple with vanilla finish; spruce with brown glaze; hutch and island
- Flooring: Natural cherry
- Countertops: Uba Tuba granite
- Sinks: Elkay
- Faucets: Grohe
- Dishwasher: Bosch
- Refrigerator: Sub-Zero
- Wallcovering: Tile
- Range: Wolf
- Beverage cooler: Marvel
- Lighting: Ironware Interior

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SPECIAL FEATURES
Custom hood; backlit
ceiling with skylight

DIMENSIONS
17 X 12

PRODUCTS USED
Cabinetry: Holiday
Kitchens
Flooring: Anderson,
Carriage House Plank,
hickory
Countertops: Seafoam
granite
Sinks: Elkay
Faucets: Whitehaus
Collection
Dishwasher: Thermador
Cooktop: Thermador
Refrigerator: KitchenAid
Wallcovering: Pratt &
Lambert paint
Ovens: Thermador
Compactor: KitchenAid
Warming drawer: Dacor
Angled outlet strip: Task
Lighting
Accent tile: Landmark
metal coat
Hood insert: MoternAire

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Welcoming Space

THE HOMEOWNERS OF this Northern California hacienda-style home knew the kitchen did not complement the beauty of the rest of their house. Although the original space worked adequately while they were raising their family, the owners felt cramped with the low 7.5-foot ceiling. When they chose Chris Dreith, owner of the Home Improvements Group Inc., to design their new kitchen, they felt confident the alliance would result in a welcoming space to share with family and friends.

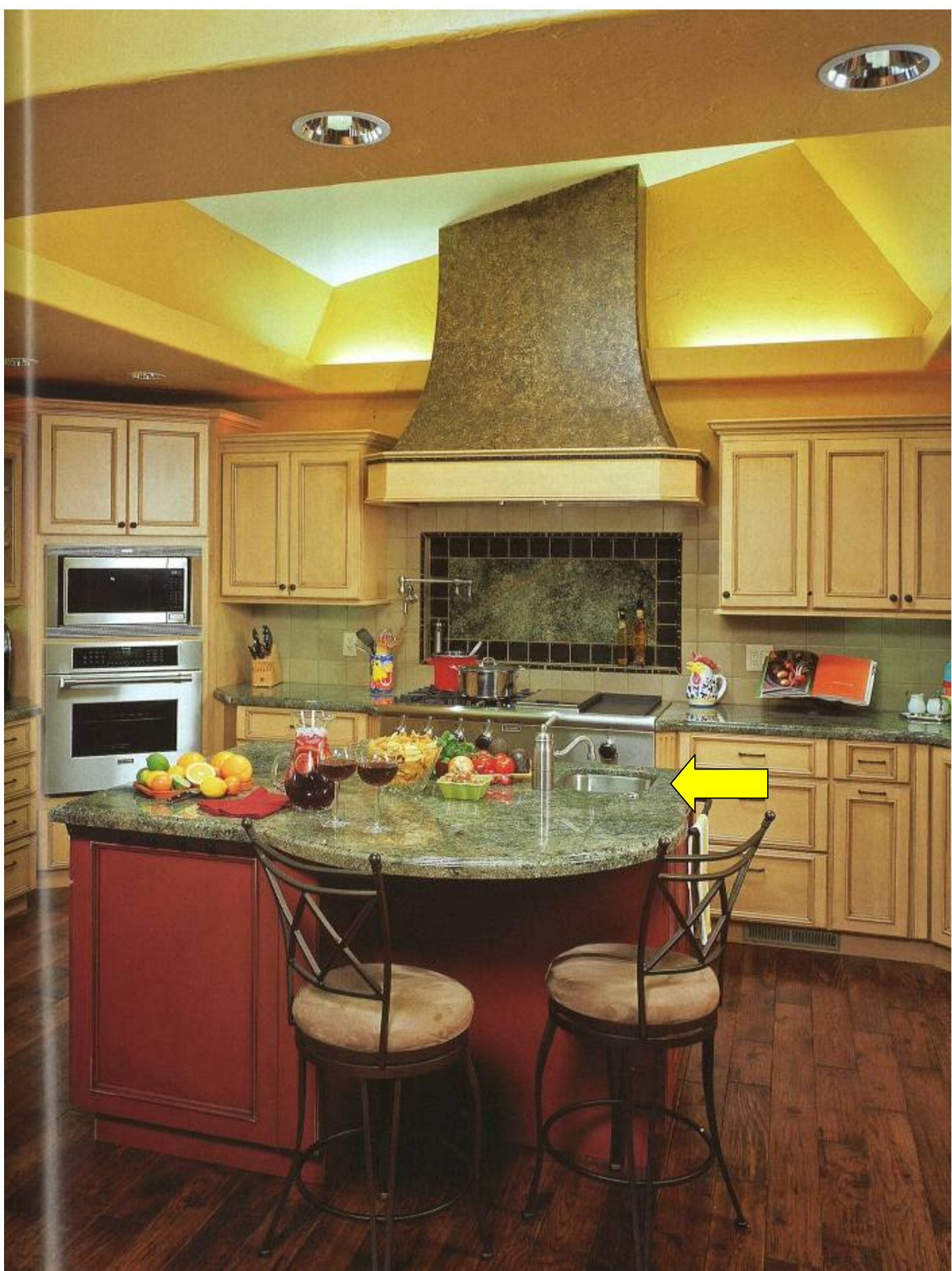
The primary goal was to increase efficiency while adding a feeling of expansiveness. One exterior wall was pushed out six feet under an existing roof. This not only added the needed space for traffic around the new island, but it also allowed the window above the sink a panoramic view of the backyard.

Although structural elements restricted raising the entire ceiling, Dreith incorporated a creative response to that challenge: an innovative ceiling treatment, including a backlit lodge surrounding an angled skylight shaft. The custom hood added even more visual excitement with its colors, angles and curves.

The jute backsplash tile and metal accents blended with the unique seafoam color of the granite to set a refined, relaxing atmosphere. As a final touch, the barn-red island adds snap to the center of the kitchen. ◀



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SPECIAL FEATURES
Historical reproduction
of cabinetry details;
period-style range;
all materials chosen
for compatibility or
authenticity to the
home's original design

DIMENSIONS
12 X 10

PRODUCTS USED
Cabinetry: Woodmode
Custom Cabinetry, series
42, flush inset, heirloom
finish.
Flooring: Red oak
Countertops: Craft-Art,
Brazilian cherry
KitchenAid

Faucets: Grohe
Hot water dispenser:
Insinkerator
Dishwasher: Bosch
Cooktop: Heartland
Legacy
Refrigerator: KitchenAid
Wallcovering: Wallpaper
Microwave oven: GE
Spacemaker II
Exhaust hood: Ventilator
by Vent-a-Hood, custom
design

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Vintage Aesthetics

THIS PROJECT, TAKEN ON by Rebecca Gullion Lindquist, CMKBD of Lindquist and Company Kitchens and Baths, was a renovation of a turn-of-the-century home in Duluth. The goal of this renovation: to create a kitchen that emulated the era of the home's origin while maintaining the conveniences of a modern culinary zone.

After the most recent kitchen update, completed in the 70's, all that remained of the original space was the servant call box, two windows and a garbage incinerator chute. To prepare for the new kitchen, the design team stripped the space of everything that was not original to the home's construction. Structural changes included installation of historically correct windows and improved insulation.

The owners of this home were focused on restoring the classic character of this space, and details found throughout the home inspired the new composition—right down to the polished nickel window-stop hardware.

An unsightly structural beam was resolved by enclosing it with cabinetry fronts, creating the illusion of stacked storage. Because they could not enlarge the kitchen, the design team carefully planned the functional layout of the storage areas, as well. The end result of their painstaking detail? Every guest in the new kitchen is impressed by its spot-on historic accuracy and gorgeous tableau. ◀



PHOTOGRAPHER: STEVEN FULL BRITZST







Pretty in Pembroke

PRETTY IS EXACTLY what the homeowners dreamed for during the nearly eight years they spent planning their kitchen renovation. Their appliances were outdated and tired, including the two-burner cooktop on their tile island countertop, which was not adequate for their family. They contacted Cathy and Ed of Renovisions Inc. to help create a design for a more functional, well-lit, better organized workspace with more storage options for their family.

The challenge: to include each feature the homeowner desired after moving the peninsula over to make room for their new 54-inch round table. The stainless steel dual-fuel range, smart dispense dishwasher and a stainless steel farmer's sink were at the top of the homeowners' list. A two-sided appliance garage, deep-wide drawers and large pantry cabinets with pullouts added storage. A wine rack showcasing their favorite spirits is an especially eye-catching feature.

Renovisions boxed out a new window overlooking the beautiful backyard, with a matching granite sill to accommodate a small herb garden the homeowners always envisioned. The various forms of lighting include recessed, pendant, undercabinet task and interior glass cabinet lighting and evoke a warm, inviting ambiance. From concept to completion, these homeowners were thrilled with their new Renovation and have been cooking up a storm ever since! »



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SPECIAL FEATURES

Two-sided corner cabinet with glass doors and appliance garage; custom tile backsplash; undercabinet outlet strips; boxed-out window with matching peacock green granite sill; undercabinet and interior cabinet lighting

DIMENSIONS

28 x 16

PRODUCTS USED

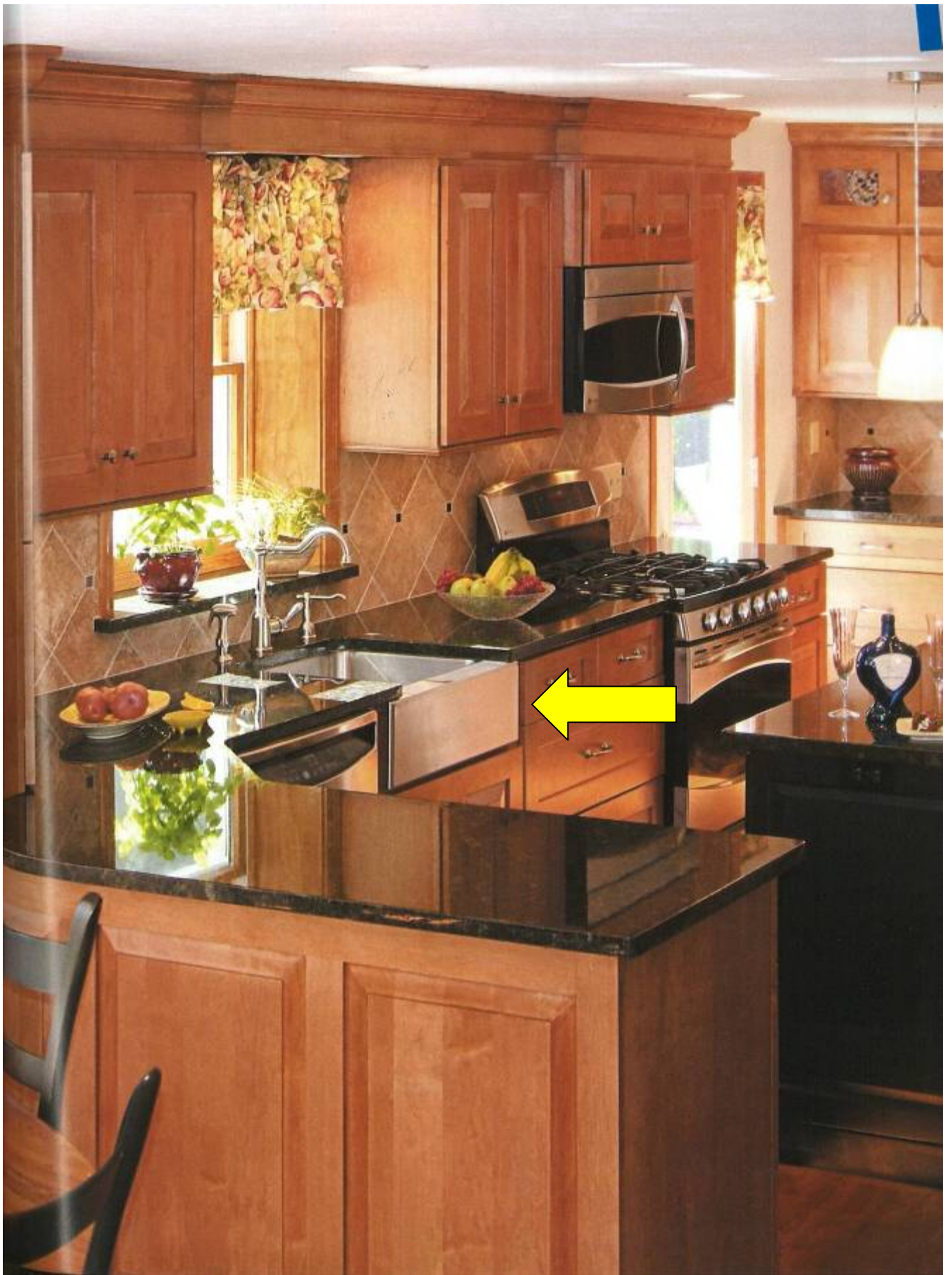
Cabinetry: Dura Supreme, maple ginger
Flooring: Hardwood, oak
Countertops: Granite, peacock green
Sinks: Elkay, stainless steel, farmer's
Faucets: Danze
Dishwasher: GE Profile
Refrigerator: GE Profile
Wallcovering: Paint, Martin Senour
Oven: GE Profile
Microhood: GE Profile
Hardware: Top Knobs

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www.brizo.com



VERSATILE

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ARCHITECT-INSPIRED

« *Axor by Hansgrohe* //

Inspired by a modern metropolis, the Axor was created by designer and architect Antonio Citterio. The smooth curves fit into any contemporary aesthetic and are a standout addition to the sink surface. Available either as a single-lever faucet for bowls and basins, a three-hole faucet for washbasins or wall mounted.

www.hansgrohe.com

CUSTOMIZABLE

» *Custom design by California Faucets* //

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