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Small Kitchen Makeover

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before

With the help and careful planning of EXPO Design Center, a dreary kitchen turns into an efficient work space.

MISSION: To give a small, outdated kitchen improved efficiency, better storage, updated appliances, and a great fresh look.

how we got the look

(1) Relocating the refrigerator and moving the sink to the corner made meal prep and clean-up easier. Located behind the sink, the stainless-steel rack takes advantage of unused space. **(2) Replacing** outdated appliances with newer models saved both space and energy. A compact 15" dishwasher, a self-vented microwave/speed oven (wall-mounted above a 30" range), and an 18-in.-fr. refrigerator with bottom-mount freezer all proved smart solutions. **(3) Refreshing** the kitchen with a neutral, two-toned color scheme makes the space seem larger, as do the glass-fronted cabinets. Cutlery is kept to a minimum with a row of wall hooks and customized cabinet organizers.



after



options worth considering

organize drawers A two-tiered wood cutlery divider—the top tray slides easily over the bottom—is a customized organizer that doubles available drawer space.

control clutter Mounted on the door, this under-sink storage unit with two shelves holds everything you need when it's time to clean up. Cleansers and cleaning supplies are always within arm's reach.

make room Keep foodstuffs handy with a 9"-wide pantry-style cabinet stocked with staples. Three deep shelves accommodate bottles and canisters and help to keep spices and necessities easily accessible.



space savers

convenience counts: Mounted under a cabinet above the stove, a microwave/speed oven frees up counter space while offering additional cooking options. The range's continuous grate serves as a landing spot for hot pans and trays coming out of the oven—another plus in a kitchen where counter space is at a premium.

KITCHEN DESIGN: Expo Design Center. Available at Expo Design Center; GE Appliances, Kraftmaid Cabinetry, Silstone Countertop, Sikay Sink, Price Pfister Faucet, Cor Floorings, Progress Under-Cabinet Lighting. Available at Home Depot; Behr Paint; Backsplash: Cressville. Accessories: Crate and Barrel. **NOTE:** Products used in this may no longer be available.