



Kitchen & Bath Tour

October 10 & 11, 10 AM–4 PM

Expanded to showcase more beautiful design than ever, the 2009 ASID Kitchen & Bath Tour—brought to you by the Minnesota chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers and *Mpls.St.Paul Magazine*—opens the doors to 16 homes with remarkable kitchens and/or baths.

For one weekend only (October 10–11), you can visit homes throughout the Twin Cities and see firsthand how inspired design has transformed these practical spaces, adding beauty and comfort, not to mention value. On this exclusive tour, homeowners and interior designers share

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fresh perspectives on styles for contemporary and traditional spaces. They also show off a range of materials, colors, appliances, and space-planning solutions that add both function and originality to these high-traffic spaces. At every turn, you'll see the best new products on the market and pick up ideas both big and small to inspire your next project.

Read on to get a sneak peek at some of the highlights from these projects. Then, chart your course!

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1 Colorful, Custom Contemporary

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DESIGNER

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A Warehouse District loft kitchen gets a totally custom, totally contemporary makeover.

CHALLENGES

The came-with-the-place kitchen had the standard stainless steel appliances, black countertops, and maple cabinets of a typical downtown warehouse condo conversion. The owners wanted something special and full of color.

SOLUTIONS

Starting from scratch—except for a few saved elements (oven hood, cooktop, and fridge/freezer drawers)—the gutted room made way for high-end, high-gloss, glass-front Valcucine cabinetry in blue and white, and a dynamic and colorful glass backsplash. Blue glass also flecks the countertops of the custom triangle-and-cylinder island, which helps unify the curved wall and clean lines of the kitchen's perimeter.

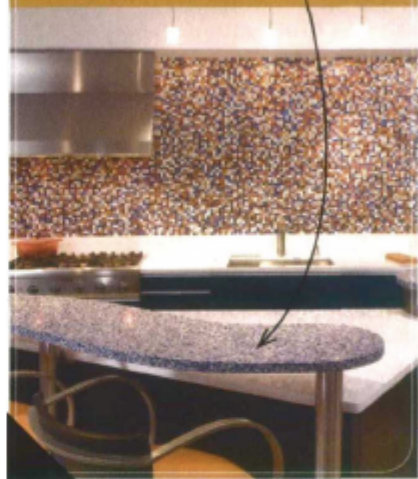
RESOURCES

Appliances: Miele dishwasher, Wolf oven, Wolf microwave, Miele coffeemaker
Backsplash: Fantasia
Bar Faucet: Danze
Cabinetry: Valcucine
Countertop: Cambria
Contractor: Purcell, Inc.
Kitchen Faucet: Jado
Recycled Glass Countertop: Vetrazzo
Sinks: Elkay



Must See

Recycled glass countertops continue to get more consumer-friendly with custom choices. The blue flecks in this one come from recycled Sky Vodka bottles. Hagen has worked with countertops made from recycled beer bottles, too.



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