

SHOWCASE



HELENIO BARBETTA/LIVING INSIDE, STYLED BY CHIARA DAL CANTO

Hot in the Kitchen Designers are throwing out the rule book, mixing colors and materials to create spaces that add a distinctive touch, from dark glamour to modern serenity. *by Jean Nayar*

Rock Solid Hardworking materials like stone and concrete are versatile enough to cover nearly any surface.



◀ LET IT SHINE

Designed by architect Pierfrancesco Cravel, this kitchen in a Milan apartment combines deep-red Turkish Rosso Lepanto marble with panels in flamed rosewood and ebony. The decor is softened by '50s chairs by Arne Homvand-Olsen and a vintage FontanaArte chandelier.



▶ INDUSTRIAL STRENGTH

An island, made of poured-in-place concrete and fitted with brass taps by Horus France, anchors the kitchen of a home in Mallorca, Spain. "We wanted the island to be the center of gravity of the house," says the designer, Manuel Villanueva of MoreDesign. A bronze Apparatus Studio light adds a delicate touch.

▲ **TERRIFIC TERRAZZO** The kitchen of designer Victoria-Maria Geyer's Brussels home has a lively Marmoreal terrazzo floor and a countertop by Dzek. The large window that frames a garden view is topped by a shade made of Behanzin fabric from Maison Pierre Frey's Le Manach collection.



Bright Ideas

Are you brave enough for a colorful kitchen? Four ways to balance pop with elegance.



▲ **DRESS BLUES** Decorated by Jean-Louis Deniot, the kitchen in an apartment near the Gare de l'Est in Paris is enveloped in shades of blue. The space is enlivened with a vintage table designed by Achille Castiglioni for Zanotta, a custom-made bronze chandelier, chairs from Matter Made, and cement tiles from Couleurs & Matières.



◀ UPON FURTHER REFLECTION

A sleek kitchen by Eligo Studio in a Brutalist penthouse in Milan bathes in the glow of a turquoise resin floor by Mapei, which is reflected in stainless steel cabinets custom-made by Giacomo Moor. The tap and counter are from Italian brand Foster.

▼ **SPLASH OF LIME** Inspired by the kitchen in Milan's famed Villa Necchi Campiglio, Ilaria Ferraro Toueg installed green cabinets with matching brass pulls and kickboard in her own apartment. She added a brushed-nickel tap from Zucchetti's Pan collection and pendants by Vesoi.



▲ **YELLOW FEVER** A spacious kitchen in a villa on the French Riviera, decorated by Paris-based Charlotte Biltgen, evokes the light of its seaside environs with yellow handmade *zellige* tiles from Morocco. Custom cabinets made of oak are topped with lava stone counters. The rattan barstool is from HK Living.

Blond Ambition Pale woods serve as a serene backdrop for hard-edged modern elements.



▼ **TIED TOGETHER** In the Cape Town home of architect Greg Truen, a partner of the firm SAOTA, a breakfast bar of Carrara marble from Cannata & Sons blurs the boundaries between the kitchen and the living room. The washed-oak cabinets are from Roma Casa and the non-porous Snow White counters are from Caesarstone.



▼ **IT'S A WRAP** The fluid lines of smoked-oak panels extend into a breakfast nook by Rodolphe Parente in this apartment near the Champs-Élysées. A bespoke bench, upholstered in Jules et Jim fabric, is paired with a Zanotta table, stools covered with a Brochier fabric, and a chandelier from Lambert & Fils.



◀ **BLACK AND TAN** In the Chicago home of designer Cari Giannoulis, the marble backsplash has a built-in shelf that elevates her everyday items. The rift-sawn oak cabinets are from JPT Cabinetry, the refrigerator from Sub-Zero, the cooktop and ovens from Wolf, the dishwasher from Bosch, and the coffeemaker from Miele.

