

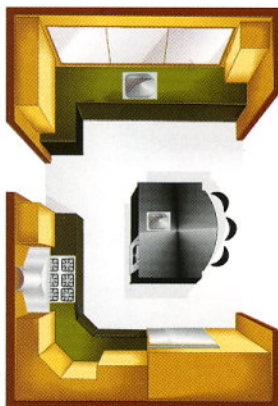


Magic Trick

LIKE MANY DESIGNERS, PAM MONACO, owner of Whole House Cabinetry, asks her clients for a “must have list” and a “wish list” before beginning their kitchen remodel. When Monaco queried this West Chester, Penn., homeowner, the client responded with three priorities: 1) a chunky island with sink, 2) dark, rich cabinetry to complement the breakfast table and Windsor chairs and 3) a larger opening to the family room to unite the rooms.

The delighted homeowner got all her requests and more. Monaco removed most of the wall between the rooms and closed off a doorway from the formal entry to provide more wall space for the new kitchen. The designer installed new windows in what used to be the breakfast area, and she moved the cherry table and chairs into the dining room, which is visible from the kitchen.

The resulting space works well for two or three cooks. The clean-up sink is located beneath the new windows, and a prep sink sits in the island. The existing skylights allow daylight into the space, while the glass patio doors and windows in the family room flood the kitchen with sunshine. Glass-fronted cabinets flank the kitchen windows and expand the space visually. Though a relatively small kitchen, this culinary space functions like many twice its size. «



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SPECIAL FEATURES:
 Generous island;
 multiple workstations;
 open floor plan

DIMENSIONS:
 18 x 12

PRODUCTS USED:
 Cabinetry: Custom
 Bertch
 Flooring: Brazilian cherry
 random width
 Countertops: Impala
 Black granite
 Sinks: Kindred
 Faucets: Belle Forêt
 Dishwasher: KitchenAid
 Cooktop: Fisher & Paykel
 Lighting: Tresco
 Refrigerator: KitchenAid
 Oven: Fisher & Paykel
 Hood: Sirius Range



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