

# Create a chic and clever kitchen

Careful planning and glamorous touches have made this kitchen both functional and fabulous – the ideal place to cook and entertain

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- ✦ **USE ZONES** to divide the space efficiently – one for food preparation, one for eating and one for relaxing. In the cooking area, we've used wall and base cabinets to keep food and utensils hidden, while stylish kitchenware is on display.
- ✦ **FAMILY-PROOF THE ROOM** with durable finishes – we used

composite worktops, wood furniture and laminate flooring.

- ✦ **ADD AN ISLAND** to form the social hub of the space – it's a place for chatting with friends or keeping an eye on the kids at homework time.
- ✦ **DEFINE THE DINING AREA** with a bold wallpaper and a focal point fireplace.

**Stylist's tip**  
Don't forget the mood lighting in a kitchen-diner. We used a colour-changing splashback and a low-hanging pendant for low-key lighting.

Set a hob into an island unit so you can face your guests while cooking

## Key features

- ✓ Rich Aubergine units combined with off-white walls and furniture for a sophisticated scheme
- ✓ A blossom-motif wallpaper to add a touch of Oriental style
- ✓ A simple dining set that lends itself to family meals as well as elegant dinner parties
- ✓ Warm wood flooring to give depth and texture to the room

**DINING ZONE** If you don't have a fireplace, use a sideboard to define the dining area instead

## Where to buy what we've used

**FURNITURE AND DECORATION**  
WALLS painted in White Lead Ultimate emulsion, £29 for 2.5ltr; **WOODWORK** painted in White Lead eggshell, £32 for 2.5ltr; both The Little Greene Paint Company. **APPLIANCES** De'Longhi Espresso Machine, £149.95; **FRIDGE** in Limestone range, Quick-Stop, BLIND in Lytton Natural, £45 per m, **KIT** Fabrics: edged in Solo Amethyst 7084/47, £42.50 per m, Roma. **CURTAINS** UNITS in Aubergine, **APPLIANCES**, flat-panel TV/DVD

**FLAYER, SINK, TAP, EXTRACTOR, SAUCEPANS** and **SHELVES**, all from £7,500 for a fitted kitchen package. **MIXER**, SPINASHERBACKS from £150 per sq m, Milano Glass Design. **STOOLS**, £65 each, Devil TABLE, £136; **CHAIRS**, £29 each, IKEA. **ON TABLE** Tulips display, £140, Bloom & Green. **RUNNER** made in Wharfedale 7361/03 Anot Coctus, £41.95 per m, Roma. **PLATES**, £5 each; **BOWLS**, £5 each; all Maxwell & Williams. **GREEN CANDLES**, £9 for three, Next. **CHOPSTICKS**, £4.25, Mytil. **LIGHT SHADE**, £49.95, Pedlar. **ON ISLAND** ORCHID, from £30,

Next. **VASE**, £14.95, Mytil. **STORAGE JARS**, from £1.59 each, IKEA. **TEA TOWELS**, from a selection, Next. **ON UNIT** TOP CLOCK, £32, Next. **BOWL**, £10, Habitat. **ON SHELF** BOWLS, £6.95 each, Mytil. **JARS**, from £4.49 each, IKEA. **ON WORKTOPS** TEA BOX, £31, The Holding Company. **CAKE STAND**, £30; Espresso CUP AND SAUCER, £7.50; all Maxwell & Williams. **PESTLE AND MORTAR**, £14.95, Mytil. **De'Longhi TOASTER**, £53.67; **SCALES**, £27.74; **De'Longhi KETTLE**, £44.99; all Amazon. **JARS**, as before. **HERBS**, supplied by The Flowers & Plants

Association. **CHOPPING BOARD**, from a selection, House of Fraser. **IN DETAIL** PICTURE, **FAR LEFT WALLPAPER**, £45.50 per roll, The Little Greene Paint Company. **SP16 FIREPLACE**, from £1,100, Dimplex. **ARMCHAIR**, £275, Next. **BASKETS**, £29 each, The Holding Company. **SWAN VASE**, £25. **SHELF**, £34.95, Devil. **CAN VASES**, £30 for two, Next. **Green glass VASE**, £30, Jane Packer range, Debenhams. **Aubergine CANDLE**, £9 for three, Next. **CARAFE**, £16, Maxwell & Williams. **White CANDLE**, £9 for three, Next. Turn to page 155 for stockist details



Modern Oriental

This is one of seven gorgeous colour schemes in this issue – see them all on page 7. **Fabric**, £41.95 per m, Roma. **Curtains** kitchen unit in Aubergine and wooden worktop sample, both from a selection, Modern Wallpaper, £45.50 per roll, The Little Greene Paint Company

