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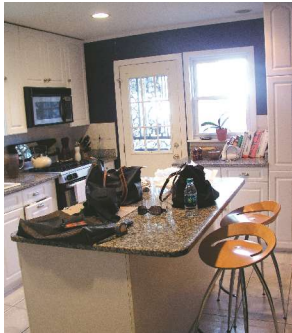
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Colonial Kitchen Goes Contemporary

BEFORE

This 1940s center hall Colonial home in Mount Vernon, NY featured a separate kitchen and dining room, not conducive to entertaining for today. The clients wanted to modernize the space and combine the two rooms to create an open floor plan where they could both cook and entertain guests.



AFTER

Francine Smith, LEED AP/CID and Diana Blum-Lapins of Bronxville, NY-based Hunt Wood Manor Design, LLC took on this project with the goal of allowing their clients, who love to cook, relax and enjoy the experience together. Creating more space to allow room for two cooks in the kitchen and a proper work flow was the main goal. To do so, all existing walls, floors and ceilings needed to be removed. Smith and Blum-Lapins came across one snag: The bathtub in the upstairs bathroom was not supported properly, so new ceiling beams were installed above the kitchen to keep the tub from falling through. An existing window at the back of the kitchen was replaced with a larger window to provide increased natural light, while a small window next to the side entry door was closed off to improve work flow. A new oversized, counter-height quartzite island was installed along with a 36" Bertazzoni cooktop with combined gas, electric and induction. Additionally, they incorporated both a prep area and a casual seating area either for meals or to allow guests to interact with both chefs while working. Custom designed cabinetry made locally of Formica and Lamin-Art plastic laminate products was installed. To cap off the modern look, a custom, statement-piece vent hood over the cooktop was requested by the clients, for which Smith & Blum-Lapins used a Vent-A-Hood T200 series insert with a custom cream-colored textured hood surround from 3form.

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