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Bathroom Remodeler

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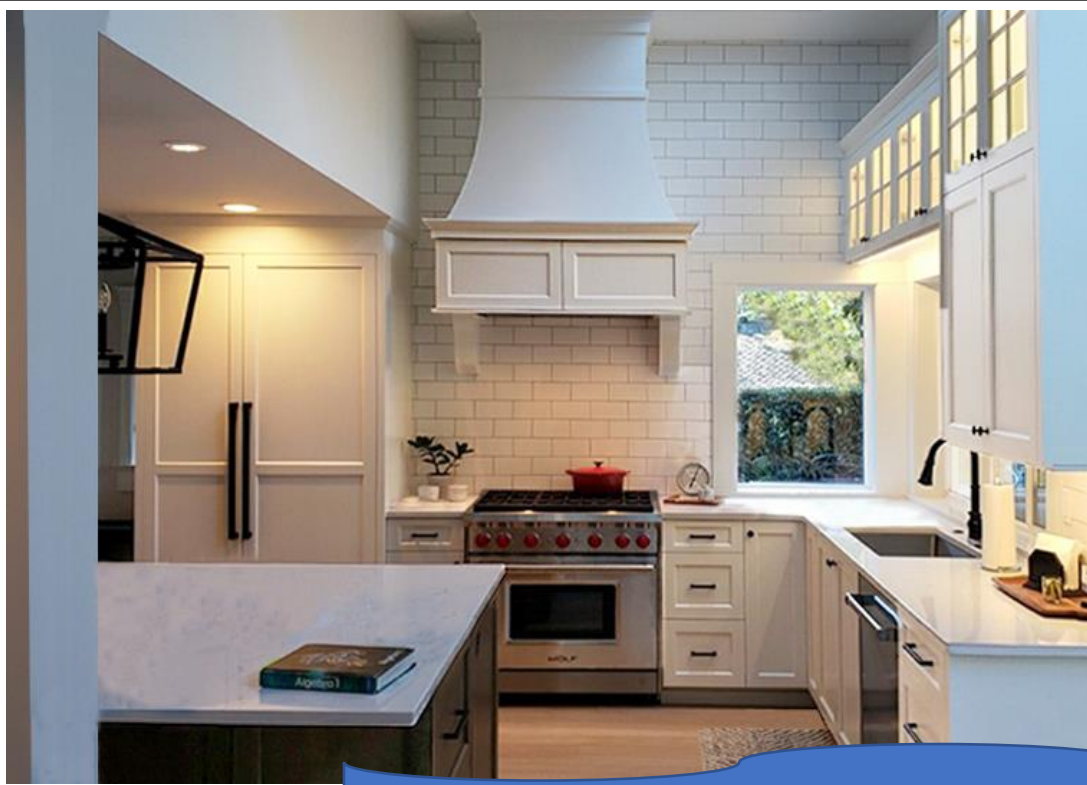
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*"The kitchen is exactly what I wanted, and turned out better than I could have imagined. We are so grateful..."*

#### 2023 Kitchen Trends

Subdued countertops  
(dramatic veining has gone away)

Palettes are moving  
toward earthy and muted  
tones (e.g., white, cream,  
gray and greige)

Using two different colors  
for the cabinets (e.g., the  
island is different than the  
perimeter or the lowers  
are different than the  
uppers OR an interesting  
combination)

Built-in banquettes (when  
there's room)

Simpler doors and drawer  
fronts (Shaker or slab  
fronts)

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### AISLES that are TOO TIGHT!

Clearance is critical. Aisles should be a minimum of 36", but 42-inch-wide aisles are more comfortable. If two people work back-to-back or maneuver around each other, 48" is best!

#### TOO many steps!

A compact, step-saving work core (the kitchen triangle) means placing the sink, refrigerator, and cooktop closer together. The cook doesn't want to walk a mile to make a meal.

#### Shoehorning in an island

in a small kitchen! A peninsula (cabinet run attached to a wall) often works better than a very narrow or small island. The average size of a kitchen island is approximately 80" x 40".

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## Kitchen Remodeling MISTAKES you DON'T want to make!

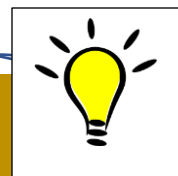
#### Forgetting People!

No matter the kitchen's size, expect people to congregate here. People are drawn to a radius like a magnet of about 60 inches from the cook or host! If you don't plan for this, people will end up invading the workspace.

#### NOT SEEING SAMPLES in your kitchen or bathroom!

Bring material samples home and look at them all together in your kitchen and bathroom! Set up samples as they would be installed (vertically or horizontally). Stand back. Look at them in natural and artificial lighting and different times of the day, too.

Thinking about **material choices in isolation!** Thinking about the space as a whole and making it cohesive is thoughtful design. Kitchen and Bathroom Designers follow the Principles and Elements of Design to work together to create spaces that are aesthetically pleasing and optimizes the user experience.



### MIXING METALS IN THE KITCHEN – Simple Tips

Yes, it's okay to mix metals in your home! Doing so adds visual interest and is a look that will last far beyond 2023. Only use THREE metal finishes for one room. Primary metal finishes for permanent fixtures (e.g., faucets and lighting). Secondary finishes on your drawer and door pulls. Metals are available in warm and cooler tones. Warm metals (honey bronze, brass, gold, copper, oil-rubbed bronze) and cool metals (chrome, polished nickel, brushed nickel, ash gray) or black can be considered either a cool-toned or a natural metal. It makes a great third metal to balance your mix. Stainless steel appliances would be considered one of the three metals! Mix warm and cool finishes (e.g., matte, satin, brushed, polished or oil rubbed, aged and antiqued). Match the sheen. Place the finishes next to each other before purchasing to be sure they are cohesive.