



Currently Craving An English-Inspired Cottage Kitchen

After a down-to-the-studs renovation, a perfectly plain New Jersey cook space enjoys a welcome warm-up.

1 Cottage Charm

For this historic home's kitchen remodel, designer Katie Rosenfeld (katierosenfelandco.com) took inspiration from elements of unfitted British kitchens, which look and feel built and added to over time. "The asymmetrical nature of the design is purposeful," says Katie of the sink's slightly off-center placement and the mixed wood and tile backsplashes. A calming palette of white (Painting by Farrow & Ball) and deep sage green anchors the cottage aesthetic.

4 Statement Lighting

Black shades atop a pair of caged pendant lights play off the dark bluestone flooring. Flared brass sconces illuminate the fluted apron-front sink.

GET THE LOOK: "Peggy's Cove" Pendant \$260; lightology.com

2 Belgian Bluestone

While the English Cotswolds may have its iconic limestone, Katie looked across the North Sea to Belgium for this kitchen's flooring. The ashy appearance of the distressed Belgian bluestone is thanks to the country's millennia-old carbon deposits.

GET THE LOOK: "Catalina" Belgian Bluestone Marble Tile \$24 per sq. ft.; tilebar.com

5 Architectural Details

Charming millwork enhances the kitchen's cottage feel, starting with the room-spanning crown molding that sets a quaint tone thanks to its exaggerated flare. Below, the vent hood is accented with deep dentil molding and classic corbels to make it feel more like a mantel, while the upper cabinets have their own set of decorative brackets. Opposite the cabinetry, a built-in bookcase filled with family-favorite cookbooks adds to the kitchen's loved-and-lived-in look.

6 Collected Curios

Country staples such as worn wood cutting boards and a vintage floral crock filled to the brim with wooden bobbin utensils bring warmth to the kitchen, while sleeker jade green ceramic dishes provide a contemporary twist.

3 Furniture-Like Island

To avoid the bulky island look, Katie and her senior architectural designer, Jess Chabot, designed the unique bobbin-legged piece to feel and function more like an elegant work and gathering table. Its pure white oak feels fresh against the kitchen's moody palette, while the streamlined stools continue the modern black thread.





7 *Well-Appointed Mudroom*

In the adjacent mudroom, a cozy window seat nestled between built-ins overlooks the home's bucolic setting. Decorative cutouts and a mix of dark aged brass hardware on the cabinetry add to the cottage charm.

GET THE LOOK:
"Latchford" Cabinet Handles
from \$160 each; armacmartin.com

8 *Bespoke Butler's Pantry*

Common in Georgian-era England, windowed pantries are connected to the kitchen's main cook space and serve as a dreamy in-between for prepping and serving. Here, rustic crosshatched wire cabinet fronts and a carriage lantern nod to the home's country house history.



9 *Pattern Play*

In the breakfast nook, a white oak trestle table sets the stage for a mix of small-scale patterned fabrics on the rush-back dining chairs, café curtains, and chandelier. In the mudroom, an iconic Morris & Co. fabric used on both the curtains and the bench cushion, along with a striped ruffle pillow, continues what Katie calls a well-layered, historic feel.

GET THE LOOK:
TOP "Taormina" Pillow Cover
\$54; smallable.com. BOTTOM Coco
& Wolf Ruffle Pillow Cover \$130;
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