

old-school COOL

A family hub blends classic details and vintage flair for a look that's oh-so-now.

mod nook

This cozy spot, known as Grand Central to the family that lives here, is as versatile as it is vibrant. A chic table from LexMod, with funky orange chairs by Armen Living, doubles as a Zoom-call zone. The bright custom bench, painted Jargon Jade by Sherwin-Williams, offers storage for small appliances (hola, tortilla maker).

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s a real estate agent, Courtney Madden has seen her share of ultramodern kitchens (white on white!) and painfully dated ones (pea-soup-green counters!). So when she and her husband, Sean, decided to renovate the overly beige, poorly laid-out kitchen in their 1960s ranch in Greenville, SC, Courtney was determined to get one with a fresh, distinctive look that wouldn't soon go out of style. Or, as she puts it, "I didn't want people to come into our kitchen 10 years from now and think it was frozen in time." After opening up the flow, designer Amanda Louise Campbell went for a balance of traditional elements and retro-fab ones (that floor tile!), creating an irresistibly cheerful dining nook in the process. Altogether the Maddens got a kitchen perfect for today—and tomorrow.



Sean and Courtney with Ivey, 11

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blue subway tile

In navy blue, slightly-larger-than-standard 4-inch-by-8-inch rectangles, this tile (from The Tile Shop) is both unexpected and timeless. Its rich color has even more impact next to the natural woven Roman shades from SelectBlinds.

wood cabinets

Agreeing to Amanda Louise's suggestion to stain the new lower cabinets brown (Special Walnut by Minwax) was a leap of faith, says Courtney: "Our instinct was they should match the white uppers." But, as promised, it brought warmth and made the white elements seem whiter.

hex-tile floor

"Sean has always had a thing for black-and-white floors," says Courtney. "I love that this kind brings to mind an old diner. It may be small scale, but it's made a big impression on visitors." Matte black cabinet hardware by Goldenwarm coordinates with the black tiles.

marbled quartz countertops

It's the eternal good looks of marble in an easy-to-maintain Cambria quartz look-alike. Gray veining adds a bit of pattern to a room filled with solid finishes; the swirls offset the straight lines of the Shaker-style cabinets and the subway tile.



When the countertops and cabinets were reconfigured, this sweet little spot was created. In the morning it's a coffee and breakfast center. Come evening it morphs into a wine and cheese hub. The art is by local artist Glory Day Loflin.



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now get the look



CHANDELIER

Generation Lighting Annie 32½"-diameter steel chandelier, \$324, 2modern.com



BACKSPLASH TILES

Pure 3" x 9" glass tiles in true blue, \$1.50 each, flooranddecor.com



BASKET

Belly 10½"H x 11¼"-diameter seagrass basket, \$10, containerstore.com



PILLOWS

Clockwise from top left: Chinese Dragon 20" x 20" cotton-blend pillow cover in navy, \$32, landofpillows.com; Brenner 20" x 20" velvet pillow in spicy mustard, \$45, crateandbarrel.com; 20" x 20" polyester pillow in blue, beige, and white, \$51.50, zazzle.com



MUG

Fiesta 7.75-ounce ceramic cup in meadow, \$10, bedbathandbeyond.com



STORAGE BENCH

Hannah 34"W x 16"D x 18"H wood blanket chest in porch, \$1,295, mainecottage.com

UTENSIL CROCK

7"H x 5"-diameter enameled-steel utensil holder in lemon, \$18, restonlloyd.com



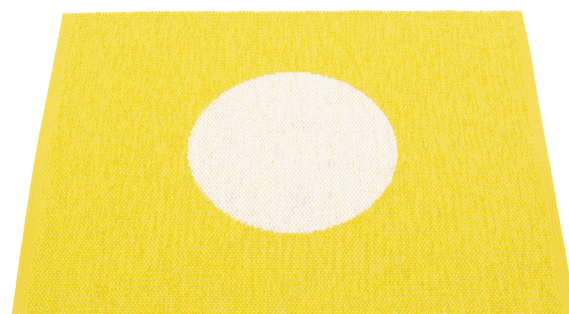
SPATULAS

Silicone and wood spatulas in sky blue, from \$10 each, williams-sonoma.com



DINING TABLE

Marchesa 29"H x 35½"-diameter MDF and powder-coated-steel dining table in matte black, \$359, inmod.com



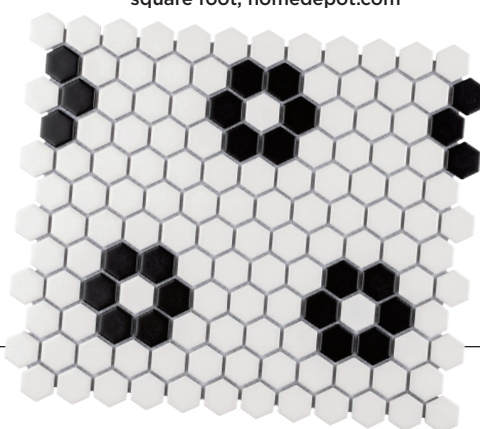
MAT

Pappelina Vera 2'3" x 3' PVC rug in lemon and vanilla, \$93, fjorn.com



CHAIR

Aegis twill and wood chair in orange, \$203.50, lexmod.com



FLOOR TILES

Merola Metro Hex With Flower 10¼" x 11¼" porcelain tiles, \$7.50 per square foot, homedepot.com



ART

Ampersand by Deb Bailey unframed digital download, \$5, juliaandcoprintables.etsy.com