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Showcase Kitchens

California Cool on Long Island



Above photo: Interior designer Keri Fields helped create an organic looking kitchen by suggesting two different cabinetry—a custom rift cut white oak cabinetry that matches the flooring was settled upon with white cabinetry. The countertops, backsplash and island are topped with Danby marble. Family-friendly woven Sunbrella fabric cover the stools and dining chairs. The architect coffered the ceiling in the dining area, delineating the rooms while keeping the site line open.

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By Barbara L Dixon

The kitchen is the heart of the home. It is often where people congregate and where the design of this Commack residence originated. Architect Michael D'Aconti of D'Aconti and Dirr Architects is the first to express this fact and how the design for the entire home and this kitchen came about. When the homeowners wanted 10-foot ceilings, D'Aconti, who designs from the inside out, set the

scope of the kitchen layout. He captured the backyard through 8-foot doors and 6-foot 4-inch windows over the farmhouse sink. Custom cove molding runs throughout, and wide white oak floors were laid down. Interior designer, Keri Fields of Keri Fields Interiors, added the aesthetic eye that made the difference, creating a refined look while keeping family-friendly materials in mind. John

Starck of Showcase Kitchens perfectly executed the integration, both visually and functionally, of all the components.

The homeowners wanted a kitchen that would be about gathering together in a comfortable and inviting space. "It was never about just cooking," the wife says. "The large island, steam oven to reheat meals, hidden coffee bar and expansive cabinets that keep clutter at bay are some of our favorite aspects, although we wanted top-of-the-line appliances that would stand up to any occasion." Originally, the owners wanted a white kitchen, but when Fields suggested incorporating another finish into the cabinetry, the custom white oak was agreed upon to work with the flooring, making the kitchen warmer and timeless. 🏠



Showcase integrated floor-to-ceiling custom white oak cabinetry with a ceruse finish that seamlessly conceals Sub-Zero's 36-inch column refrigerator and 36-inch column freezer as well as Sub-Zero wine storage and refrigerator drawers under the coffee station. The interior designer suggested the coffee station, which has a built-in Miele system, as it was on the homeowners' wish list. It is concealed behind by-fold doors. The wall of appliances is now free of clutter with even the custom cabinetry abutting the custom cove molding.



An expansive island seats five, making it conducive for gatherings. Hudson Valley Lighting pendants and sconces echo the warm brass hardware used throughout. A Zip Water hot/cold filtered water system was installed with the Moen black satin finish faucet as the family is big water drinkers.