





Symmetry Architects

Open collaboration makes
for great architecture

Architecture is, by design, a collaborative process. Since 1998 Clint Pearson, principal architect of Symmetry Architects, has collaborated with homeowners, builders, and designers to create noteworthy homes across the state and beyond. Clint invests his creativity and passion into learning about this clients' vision of the perfect home, and his reputation speaks for itself. From French and English-inspired designs to Mediterranean homes and abodes that epitomize the Texas Hill Country, Clint's portfolio has been acclaimed by publications to include D Home and LUXE Texas magazines. The firm has also been awarded two Vesta Awards for architectural design, and many of its homes have earned the firm status on several "Best Builders in Dallas" lists. But it is the personal connection that Clint makes with his clientele that is the motivating factor behind his work. There is never any doubt that Clint is building a home to support a unique lifestyle. He and his team are dedicated to upholding the distinctive signature of both homeowners and the homes themselves. The result is a collection of homes that evoke warmth and a true sense of home.

LEFT: This gorgeous kitchen has an understated elegance achieved by clean simple lines and an abundance of natural light. The central focus is on the cooking area which features a zinc hood and Noblesse 2 tiled wall by Tabarka Studios, selected by Laura Lee Clark Interiors. Behind the kitchen is a scullery which serves as a storage and cleanup area, which removes the visual clutter and mess from the primary kitchen space.

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TOP RIGHT, TOP LEFT AND BOTTOM RIGHT: This functional kitchen integrates a beverage center in one corner. 90 degree corner windows introduce plenty of natural light in the space and provides views into a inviting courtyard at the front of the residence. The dining room (beyond) is entered through an deep arched opening, which is flanked by Gaggenau wine columns.

FACING PAGE: The homeowners of this custom kitchen both have a passion for the culinary arts, so naturally they needed their own islands by Downsview Kitchen. His island evokes a rugged, masculine feel with the use of walnut wood and satin brass hardware. Her island balances the space with the use of a grey lacquer base cabinet capped with Carrara white marble containing delicate grey veining. A backdrop of colorful geometric backsplash from Ann Sacks, selected by Brown Design Group, and a 60" La Cornue range, set the stage for performing the art of cooking. The scene is lit from above by gloss black and brass pendant lights from Charles Edwards of London.
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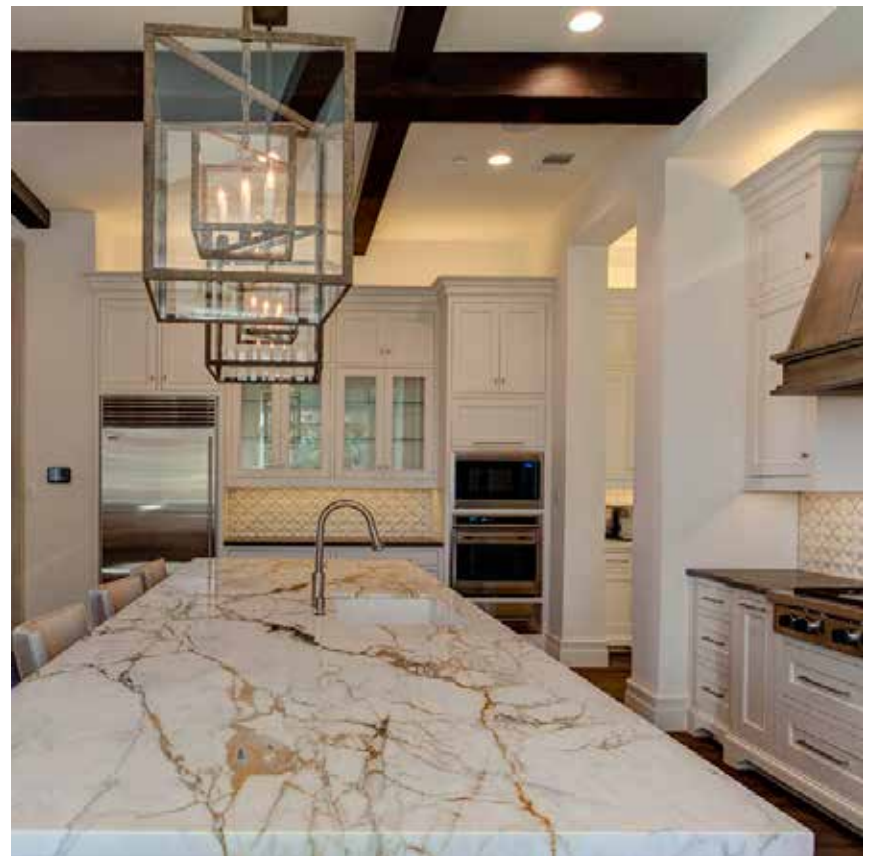
KITCHEN INSPIRATION

WHAT MUST EVERY KITCHEN INCLUDE?

Natural light and an efficient layout

CAN YOU OFFER SOME PERSPECTIVE ON DIFFERENT WAYS KITCHENS NEED TO FUNCTION?

My recent kitchen designs have included a scullery or a chef's pantry. The scullery, a relic from old European kitchens, is typically tucked away behind the kitchen and is used primarily as a place to wash and store dishes, pots, etc. It can also serve as a staging area for caterers. The chef's pantry provides a place to store small appliances, etc. which frees up counter space in the kitchen. These two spaces allow us to remove the mess and visual clutter from the kitchen proper. It is very important when entertaining, since everyone typically congregates in the kitchen, the scullery and chef's pantry allow the host and their guests to focus on enjoying the art of preparing food in a beautifully designed setting.



TOP AND BOTTOM RIGHT: This spacious kitchen with 12 foot tall ceilings and stained timber beams is anchored by an oversized island topped with Calcutta gold marble.

FACING PAGE: A brick arch adds color and texture in contrast to the overall soft contemporary feel of this space, as well as delineating the kitchen from the family room. The informal dining area of this kitchen connects to a small inglenook with an antique limestone fireplace, creating a cozy space for mother and daughter conversations.

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