Q&A

HOW DID YOU BEGIN THE DESIGN PROCESS?

The design process began with an initial visit to our client's home to see the space. I asked several questions regarding their current space—what's working, what's not—and also questions to get the homeowners thinking about things that may not have crossed their mind. I reviewed images they had compiled on Pinterest and Houzz to get a better feel for their style.

WHAT WERE SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THE CLIENTS WERE FACING WITH THEIR CURRENT SPACE?

Their current kitchen was dark and cramped. When entertaining, the kitchen became congested with guests all trying to crowd around the tiny island. They also had a formal dining room—completely separate from the kitchen—that sat unused.

ANY TIPS FOR EMULATING DESIGN IN THIS HOME?

Don't be afraid to mix finishes and styles—it creates a more interested and unexpected result! You want the design elements to complement each other, not be "matchy-matchy." The oil-rubbed bronze hardware and lighting in this space pairs perfectly with the stainless on the appliances and plumbing fixtures. The reclaimed range hood highlights beautifully against the clean, enameled cabinets. The metallic deco tile behind the range is paired with a clean, stone-like porcelain tile.