

# TOP 10 2022 KITCHEN DESIGN FORECAST



Not sure what to choose for your new kitchen design? Follow us for a trend a week until the end of 2021 so you'll be *in the know* for your 2022 kitchen!



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## Forest Bathing

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### It's only natural.

Woodgrain, stone, and nature-inspired hues will be the textural elements making up kitchen design in 2022. White and gray are stepping aside to make room on the kitchen color list.

If you still prefer a neutral color palette of taupes, off-whites and shades of brown, don't worry, they

are still in style. Add to that kitchen list, other unexpected colors like black, deep greens and orange, *yes, we said orange*.

This new trend is called *forest bathing* (Biophilic Design). The approach is all about bringing the outdoors in. Think deep, rustic hues and the use of color in unexpected places such as appliances and range hoods.



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## Scandinavian Influence

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### Clean, minimalist & simple.

Consider a clean, modern backdrop to set the stage for your new kitchen design. Low profile cabinetry will be the choice in 2022. The movement can be described in 3 words: **Clean. Minimalist. Simple.** The description itself outlines the modernist movement for kitchen styles everywhere.

This modern style was popular during the 1940s and again in the 1980s. During these eras, homes designed in the modern style consisted of smooth, straight lines; open floor plans; large glass windows; and geometric shapes.



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## We Got Your Back-splash

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### Go with the flow.

Known as a waterfall edge, this design concept is for the pattern to flow down the backsplash and stream over the countertop.

Using popular laminate brands, such as Formica® and Wilsonart®, this sophisticated look is actually much more affordable than tile and the color selections are endless.

Use them to mimic stone or woodgrain and create a seamless design that runs up the back wall for a luxurious effect.

Stone looks will be the most popular, however laminates are also available in woodgrain, metals, solids and textures.



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## Double the Fun

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### Double vision.

The 2 island trend will be very popular in the coming year. They can match in size but not function. The trend is to use one island for service and the other for entertaining and dining. Islands are the nucleus of the kitchen and are the gathering hub of the home.

They should have the same 36” perimeter as required to allow for appliance doors and walk ways.

Feel free to add seating at both islands or a stove top and sink. Use corbels or legs at the overhang to give the ‘twins’ their own unique design elements.



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## Get a Handle on It

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### The jewelry of the kitchen.

So you think satin nickel and black make a bold statement on cabinets? Well then have some champagne... golden champagne pulls and knobs that is.

Brass, gold, and champagne tone fixtures are the latest in kitchen hardware. Depending on the door you apply it to, the whole style can be transformed.

A gold finish is one of the best ways to add a touch of glamour to the kitchen. With the introduction of mixing metals a few years ago, the finishes will complement your stainless appliances and other accessories.

Also available in antique finishes that will instill a vintage vibe and infuse an old world style.



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## Open up to Shelving

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### Be open minded.

Opening up storage has finally been embraced by the homeowner with a creative approach of replacing upper cabinets with floating or bracketed shelves.

Cabinets take up about 12- to 24-inches of depth from the wall over the counter.

This can sometimes block natural light from flowing into the room. When you opt for open shelving instead, you add that visual space back, which keeps your kitchen feeling more open and spacious.



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## Get Organized

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### Storage stacks up.

Storage space is always a hot commodity in the kitchen. Whether you're at the beginning stages of a renovation design or simply wondering about ways to free up space, you may want to consider pull-out racks and organizers because they can transform your kitchen into a truly functional and efficient space.

Pantries can be custom built to suit any space and made to match your refaced kitchen for a hybrid remodel.

If you have an open corner or narrow space around appliances, consider additional storage that is sure to be used.



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## Appliance Camouflage

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### Hiding in plain sight.

A partially-integrated appliance is a built-in appliance with matching cabinet panels on the surface, so the overall look is more consistent. If it's a fridge, you can probably still see the vent or the metal door frames. If it's a dishwasher, you may still see the control panels - but these are all nicely tucked into a cabinet-style camouflage panel.

This is a cost-effective solution for homeowners who like the idea of fully-integrated appliances but don't want the added expense.

A high-quality installed panel will give you exactly what you want to see—or not see, as the case may be.



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## Home Work

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### Time to get creative.

For in home offices, home classrooms and hobby stations, you can use the same color as your cabinetry to create a seamless space.

The mobile, digital age has transformed the way we do business, and that's beginning to transform home design. The home office, which used to exist only in larger or more affluent homes,

is now a priority for many households, especially those in which someone works from home.

More and more homeowners are finding the kitchen makes the perfect spot for a desk space, message center, or mini-home office.



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## Give Vinyl a Chance

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### Walking the plank.

Like laminate countertops, vinyl flooring was sort of cast off from the “kitchen design realm” for all but standard commercial flooring.

We say, however, give vinyl a chance. Product manufacturing technology has come a long way. Clients can’t believe that vinyl flooring isn’t real wood or stone—they’re that convincing. It’s one of

the more cost effective flooring options on the market and looks like real wood or stone.

This product trend will continue past 2022 because of vinyl flooring’s durability and designs.



# The Kitchen is a Magical Place

It's where memories are made, comfort is served and where we gather to appreciate the people who give our lives meaning. And while we've transformed thousands of kitchens over the last 40 years, one thing is certain, the memories you make here.... last forever. Yes, The kitchen is a magical place. Because it's where life...happens.

There is no substitute for scheduling an appointment and meeting with a kitchen design specialist of your own. Remember, Kitchen Magic is always here to create your dream kitchen.



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JT Norman  
Dir. of Business Development,  
Product & Design Innovation



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