

# Attract OPPOSITES

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In pursuit of a bold and contemporary kitchen transformation, Homeowner Kristin Lang enlisted the expertise of Next Step Innovations. A one-stop shop for luxury home remodels. Daniel Barraza, owner of Next Step Innovations, collaborated with Kristin to help bring her dream kitchen to life. He brought in Michelle Herbert to select finishes, while Joseph Trefry created the kitchen design and layout.

This home remodel brought several significant changes and additions tailored specifically to the family's needs. The quartz countertops offer a perfect choice for the durable yet beautiful finish. Kristin's goal was to reestablish the large island as a functional space where the family can congregate.

The accent lighting fixtures in the kitchen play a significant role in creating the right atmosphere. The combination of modern black and gold fixtures successfully achieves this objective. The selection of fixtures efficiently utilizes the space while introducing a modern touch that unifies the kitchen. In addition to the lighting, the caramel-colored bar stools and the incorporation of natural wood shelves tastefully pull the different elements of the kitchen together. The inviting ambiance is brought to life by the cozy warm hues of the bar stools. While shelves infuse a sense of earthy charm, balancing the contemporary elements.

Michelle integrated Kristin's inspiration and financial requirements into a well thought-out design. "Michelle, our designer, worked with my style and budget, and helped me with many design elements beyond our kitchen to help our main floor flow seamlessly," said Kristin.

Veturo Cabinetry by One Source played a central role in shaping the kitchen's unique character, as the selection of Winter Fun for the perimeter cabinets and Midnight Run for the island infused distinctive hues. This range of colors, when paired with the matte-black of the backsplash, creates a striking contrast against the backdrop of the soft-white cabinets.

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a pivotal role in the kitchen's appearance. The overarching theme revolves around a classic black-and-white palette. The island boasts sleek black cabinets, while those outer wall cabinets are pristine white. This gives the whole kitchen an elevated look. The centerpiece is the striking matte-black, subway-tile backsplash, which beautifully contrasts the soft-white, wood grain cabinets. The backsplash, characterized by black

tiles, complements the gray-veined white-quartz countertops. Furthermore, the bar backsplash adheres to the black-and-white motif. For appliances, Monogram was the chosen brand. Kristin, who had experience with GE appliances formerly, expressed her satisfaction with their styles and variety, loving how they seamlessly complemented the kitchen's layout.

An enjoyable and distinctive addition is the



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GE Nugget-Ice Maker, which brings to mind the kind you usually encounter at Sonic Drive-ins. This addition brings a splash of fun to beverage preparation.

Nevertheless, her true joy stems from sharing her kitchen with others and seeing their reactions. Michelle translated Kristin's taste into a carefully considered design. The incredible positive responses to her kitchen transformation are a testament to the success of this project.

Michelle shared her enthusiasm for the project, "The highlight of the kitchen remodel was to see how happy Kristin and her family were with the end result."

Kristin's style preferences, combined with Next Step Innovation's seamless ability to enhance and establish a harmonious and inviting environment, are a perfect match. 





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