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AS THE DESIGNER AND DWELLER OF THIS REDESIGNED KITCHEN, SARA BEDERMAN SAYS THE KEY TO INCORPORATING TRENDS INTO YOUR SPACE IS TO GET INSPIRED AND PERSONALIZE IT. READ ON TO FIND OUT HOW SHE MADE HER KITCHEN STAND OUT IN A SEA OF WHITE.

Monochromatic white kitchens have been hot for ages — they continue to dominate modern interiors, with variations being added to the original white-on-white look. Applying this tested trend to my own space took some thinking; I knew I wanted to mix it up by giving it a unique edge. And that's truly the trick if you decide to go the white route — you have to make it your own. Here's what I did.

ADD ACCENTS

I punctuated this classic palette with satin brass and walnut — the simplicity of the white paired beautifully with the warm cognac-coloured wood and luxe metallic accents. The hues also

worked well with the original 100-year-old quarter-sawn oak flooring and wall panelling throughout the house. The brass in the faucets, cabinet hardware and sconces also complement the covelano marble, which I used for the countertops and backsplash. It's a fresh white but the tones of grey and cognac in the veining tie the look together. I added marble window sills for a sleek touch (plus it makes this area near the sink moisture-proof).

CREATE SHOWPIECES

The wall behind the cooktop was an obvious choice for a high-impact

feature area, so I designed a custom-made white-and-walnut hood for the space. This substantial-yet-simple piece acts as an anchor — it's slightly oversized, bringing balance to the angled wall.

The other focal point was created from an often-unused space — the side panels of the kitchen cabinets. Since they're visible when looking down the hall from my front entrance, I opted to dress them up by adding a walnut panel with brass inlay, complete with an asymmetrical line detail. It was thoughtfully planned and intricately scaled, and provides a killer sightline when guests come in.



MAKE DETAILS MATTER

The white fridge and freezer panels are custom, designed not only to conceal the appliances but to create a seamless visual. I incorporated an integrated walk-in pantry and an oversized pantry drawer system for

storage, and it's hidden perfectly next to the appliances.

The ceiling needed a bit of love so I chose a more ornate moulding. This detail doesn't impede ceiling height, but it does pack a visual punch and extra dimension. **BH&L**