

MORE THAN MODERN

Where Modern and Traditional Intersect for a Timeless Kitchen

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THERE IS A PLACE where form and functionality intersect - where design happily coexists with technology to produce a thing of beauty and elegance that's also actually quite useful. This is the place where Holly and Shawn Creel's Littleton kitchen resides. The Creels, a growing family of four complete with two dogs, needed more than just a kitchen showpiece. Their quest for a modern kitchen concept with a timeless, traditional feel, Mitch Schwartz of The Furnished Kitchen was able to step in and help them realize their vision.

Schwartz, a master of kitchen remodels who's known for his innovative design concepts, pulled inspiration from traditional farmhouse-style kitchens to create the plan for the Creel's 9-week renovation. "They wanted to update and open up the space," says Schwartz. The Creels decided on the bucolic charm of the modern farmhouse style, with a



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great deal of the focus placed on maximizing space. “Their kitchen was designed to maximize storage, adding a large amount of drawers and pantry space, and a spacious island with plenty of room to entertain. Ample lighting was added to provide a bright, even look, including task lighting and pendants for mood lighting.” The result is a beautiful, functional kitchen with clean, modern lines and a homey feel that brilliantly counters the bleeding-edge modernity of the stainless Jenn-Air appliances that were chosen for their high-tech performance and precision.

Mitch Schwartz and the rest of his design team worked on the Creel’s kitchen remodel armed with lots of input from the homeowners. “We added everything they asked for on their wish list,” says Schwartz. “Large island, open concept, 48-inch range, work area, wine cooler with beverage area, a lot of storage, with great flow and

function. Nailed the design!”

The Creel’s kitchen is a marvel of elegance and design. That 48-inch range is just one of the fabulous Jenn-Air kitchen appliances that perfectly complement the extra-wide Shaker-style cabinets in matte Linen White with polished bronze hardware, courtesy of *A Cabinet Company*. A beveled Arctic White subway tile backsplash peeks out between cabinetry and countertops, giving the kitchen the fresh, clean whitewashed feel of kitchens of yore.

Gleaming quartz countertops in Molten Grey by *DMK Granite* perfectly offset the espresso-finish Carrara island with brass knobs, and the pecan-brown oak flooring by *HighPro* ties it all together while upping the traditional vibe that runs through this very modern kitchen. Bronze pendant lighting adds a perfect finishing touch to the kitchen, giving it the rustic appeal of a kitchen





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of yesteryear while also spotlighting the very modern conveniences that make everyday cooking and living a pleasure for a family of today.

The Creels are beyond thrilled with the results of their kitchen remodel, with Holly’s favorite feature by far being the 48-inch Jenn-Air dual fuel range. “The homeowners were great to work with and extremely grateful and happy with the results,” Schwartz comments on his experience

with the Creel’s remodel. The family hopes to enjoy entertaining and dining in their spacious and beautiful kitchen for years to come.

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Mitch Schwartz started out as a hobbyist in woodworking and other trades, until one day someone asked him to do some work in their home, and from there it snowballed into the business it is today! The Furnished Kitchen works closely with clients to design and build custom kitchens, bathrooms, built-ins, and more, keeping function and affordability in mind. Serving Denver Metro area for over 30 years.

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