



Family Time

THIS MASSACHUSETTS FAMILY, LIKE MANY, loved their home, but they felt as though there was something missing. Their family time together was precious, and they desired the ability to spend that time in the comfort of the heart of their home. The challenge for certified kitchen designer, Mariette Barsoum was to keep the kitchen and family room separate, while creating a natural flow from room to room for the entertaining of large groups.

Barsoum used the tumbled marble backsplash located behind the sink and stove to connect the family room to the kitchen by carrying it through into the pantry and desk area. She created a two-cook kitchen featuring a large center island to provide a serving area perfect for entertaining guests. The designer chose cabinets with a painted and glazed finish in a soft tone. The combination of finishes adds depth and interest to the space.

Additionally, the designer implemented a workspace and added a pantry and custom bookshelves using traditional cherry cabinets. Yellow Colombo granite countertops act as a modern addition to the traditional room. The final result is an area that reflects the owners' style; one that is large enough to entertain, yet intimate enough to spend quality family time. ♦



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SPECIAL FEATURES:
 Eat-in kitchen; built-in desk area with glass cabinetry; tumbled marble backsplash

DIMENSIONS:
 19 X 17

FEATURE PRODUCTS:
 Cabinetry: Divine Kitchens Custom Cabinetry
 Flooring: Hardwood
 Countertops: Yellow Colombo granite
 Sinks: Franke
 Dishwasher: Fisher & Paykel
 Cooktop: Wolf
 Refrigerator: KitchenAid
 Wallcovering: Paint
 Oven: Dacor
 Warming Drawer: DCS
 Microwave: Sharp



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Colonial Charm

THIS HOUSE, LOCATED IN AN UPSCALE SUBURB OF BOSTON, is home to a family of four, including twin boys. The kitchen remodel was part of a larger project aimed at updating the entire house. Along with more space for their family, the homeowners wanted their kitchen to feel more like part of the home. They looked to Mariette Barsoum of Divine Kitchens LLC to recreate the room.

The homeowners wanted a kitchen stocked with an array of appliances, as well as a dining table that would seat their entire family, so Barsoum was tasked with finding a way to fit it all into the room. The designer came up with a creative solution: She devised a custom bench seat in one corner of the room and placed the table next to it. Barsoum also created a peninsula, which provides even more seating, as well as extra working space for the cook. The painted cabinetry pays homage to the colonial period of the home and invokes a warm and comfortable feeling. The up-to-date light fixtures add to the sophisticated ambiance of the space, and a bookcase with wine storage located below finishes off the look of the room. The kitchen now blends seamlessly with the rest of the home. It is modern and updated, while still respecting the charming history of the house. *



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SPECIAL FEATURES:
Eat-in kitchen; custom
built-in bench seat;
peninsula with seating

DIMENSIONS:
12 x 10

PRODUCTS USED:
Cabinetry: Holiday
Kitchens
Flooring: Hardwood
Countertops: Granite
Dishwasher: Bosch
Cooktop: Viking
Refrigerator: Jenn-Air
Wallcovering: Tumbled
marble
Ovens: Thermador
Microwave: Thermador

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