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# Access ALL AREAS

Clever design and an open-plan layout have created the ideal space for Kirsty and Jim Hague

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says

Kirsty and Jim wanted a kitchen that didn't look like a kitchen, so designer Jason created an island with a raised bar to hide the working area from guests

#### CABINETRY

Recessed banks at the back of the kitchen and the outside of the V-shaped island are all in **Teak Decor** from the **+Segmento** range at Poggenpohl

#### DINING AREA

The made-to-measure **wooden table** is from Solid Oak Warehouse, while the sophisticated **dining chairs** were bought from John Lewis

#### LIGHTING

The striking black **pendant lights** are by Design Interiors



**BK loves**  
 ...how different the island looks viewed from various angles

**CABINETS**

Blossom White cabinetry from the +Segmento range at Poggenpohl runs along the inside of the island

**FLOORING**

Square Gres de Valls Paris limestone tiles in Almond from Jaques Construction keep the kitchen feeling light and airy



**HANDLES**  
 Finger-pull handles at the top of each door keep the cabinetry looking streamlined



**THE OWNER**

'The U-shaped island works really well,' says Kirsty. 'When we have guests, they can make tea and sit and chat to me while I cook'

**WORKTOPS**

Two different colours of Corian were used – pale **Matterhorn** on the worktops, while darker **Canyon Corian** frames the breakfast bar

**COOKING AREA**

The steel-framed, five-zone induction hob is by Miele and has four metal rods inset into the surface next to it to receive hot pans



**KIRSTY AND JIM HAGUE LIVE IN A SELF-BUILT HOUSE IN SURREY WITH CHILDREN, FREDDIE, NINE, SANNE, SIX, SASHA, FOUR, AND STANLEY, THREE**

After six years of living in their home, Kirsty and Jim Hague decided to knock it down and rebuild from scratch. 'Our previous home, a detached 1920s house, had problems with subsidence but we loved the location and didn't want to move,' recalls Kirsty. 'The new house has been built

on the same plot, on top of a hill that drops down to a path and two acres of woodland, overlooking a lake.'

With four children, mum Kirsty and Jim, a director of a dental engineering company, felt that an open-plan kitchen/living area would be an important part of their new home. 'With a growing family, we knew we needed a larger kitchen that suited our lifestyle more,' says Kirsty.

Having the luxury of building from scratch meant the couple could plan this new area meticulously and place it

in a prime position in the centre of their home. 'We wanted a space that was bright and airy, so when the new house was being built, we planned to have lots of windows surrounding the kitchen and a box extension with folding glass doors,' reveals Kirsty.

When it came to the design, both Kirsty and Richard had a fixed idea of what they wanted, having seen a U-shaped kitchen in a magazine. 'As it would be our main social area, we wanted to make it feel as little like a kitchen as possible,' says Kirsty. 'We

saw Poggenpohl's Teak Decor and Blossom White units and knew they were the ones for us immediately.'

The couple needed a company to put all their ideas into place, so called on kitchen specialist Colliers. 'My brief was to create a central U-shaped workstation incorporating the hob, sink, prep area and breakfast bar,' explains designer Jason Collier. 'The kitchen would lead onto a dining area to one side and living space on the other.'

Not only does the island form a stunning feature in the open-plan

dining area, but it's a functional work area with everything in proximity. Cupboard space is in abundance on the island unit, too. 'We've now got twice the amount of storage as before, which means we can hide any clutter away,' smiles Kirsty.

The Hagues are delighted with the results. 'Colliers did a great job and I wouldn't change a thing,' says Kirsty. 'We love that it's so practical and spacious yet homely and we can keep our eyes on the children when we're cooking. We make the most of the beautiful location and when it's sunny, we simply open up the doors to the garden and create that inside-out feel. Our new kitchen blends perfectly with its natural surroundings, but still has a fresh, modern look.'



**'AS THE ROOM IS OPEN-PLAN, IT WAS IMPORTANT TO CREATE TWO LEVELS ON THE ISLAND. THIS SHIELDS THE KITCHEN FROM THE LIVING AND DINING AREAS'**

### WET AREA

A square steel sink is offset by a brushed-steel Alta tap from Blanco

### APPLIANCES

Tall units set into the wall at the back of the kitchen house two single ovens, a combination microwave, steam oven and two warming drawers, all from Miele



**PRICE GUIDE**  
Starting price  
**£15,000**  
for a  
Colliers  
kitchen

## THE KITCHEN AT A GLANCE

### DESIGN & CABINETRY

- Jason Collier at **Colliers**, 28 Teville Road, Worthing, West Sussex BN11 1UG (01903 210101) [www.colliers.uk.com](http://www.colliers.uk.com)
- Teak Decor furniture with frosted glass doors and Blossom White cabinetry from the +Segmento range by Poggenpohl



### WORKTOPS

- Matterhorn Corian. Price per sq m **£400**
- Canyon Corian. Price per sq m **£400**

### FLOORING

- Gres de Valls Paris limestone in Almond, Jaques Construction. Price per sq m, approx **£30**

### SINK & TAP

- Undermounted single-bowl sink in stainless steel, for similar try BlancoClaron 400/550-TU, Blanco **£928**
- BM/P512321 Alta top-lever monobloc mixer tap in brushed steel, Blanco **£269**

### APPLIANCES (shown)

- 2 x H5240BP built-in single ovens, Miele, each **£1,257**
- H5040BM built-in combination microwave, Miele **£1,551**
- DG5061 built-in steam oven, Miele **£1,703**
- Five-zone induction hob, for similar try KM6382, Miele **£2,056**
- 2 x ESW5080-14 built-in warming drawers, Miele, each **£669**

### APPLIANCES (not shown)

- Fully integrated larder fridge, Miele **£1,139**
- Fully integrated dishwasher, Miele **£948**

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PLAN SCALE 1cm:1m



## GREAT IDEA

The appliances have been made less intrusive by recessing them into cupboards

