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A plethora of fabulous kitchens that will have you saying "I want that!"

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A much-needed overhaul of an outdated 20-year-old kitchen resulted in a warm and airy transitional space that combines modern and functional with traditional.

Peter Sciarretta and the talented professionals at Hemingway Fine Homes and Lauren Muse of Muse Interiors created this fantastic look, giving a large family usable space that allows for comfortable distancing as a nod to the new normal of COVID-19. The stunning white kitchen backdrop is aided by navy cabinets, pops of blue and a mixture of textures to bring warmth and character to this cozy space. "It's important for a kitchen of this size to mix textures, which is why you see a combination of door fronts such as metal mesh detail, glass and solid wood," says Lauren. "The glass has a slight restoration to it; it's clear but has a soft wave to it that gives it character. The backsplash is also a handmade tile that has variation to it."

As soon as you walk into the kitchen, the striking conservatory top draws attention upward to a spectacular, unobstructed view of infinity. The drench of sunlight keeps away the need for lights during the day, but this impressive traditional piece meets modernity at the ceiling, with 42-inch circular light fixtures hanging on stainless-steel chains. "The ceiling here is the sky, and that's what is so amazing," Peter says. "It just keeps going." Referring to the light fixtures, Peter adds, "Modern and traditional meet at the ceiling."

The previous kitchen had a square island that was cumbersome, underutilized and so large that only the perimeter could be used. The team created double islands to establish a traffic pattern and allow for a more functional countertop and additional storage. They painted the islands navy and the surrounding cabinets in a calm, light gray with a touch of brightness.





A lovely yet durable Carrera quartz was chosen for the countertops, a decision that aided in choosing the kitchen's overall color palette. A stunning matte and polished stainless-steel hood, large-scale ceiling lights, ceramic backsplash and stainless-steel toe kicks fuse effortlessly to complete this modern-meets-traditional kitchen.

"Aesthetically, I just love how it flows," Lauren says. "It's very functional; it's very well thought-out. I'm happy that the clients are happy."

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