

## kitchens

A DIVINE MIX



### Clean Sweep

"I TEND TO LIKE an uncluttered kitchen," designer Carolyn Morris of Alvarez Morris says. "This modern, open floor plan is family-centric, so I like that we made a place for everything and the room can be open to the rest of the house." This "not overly kitchen" in Denver's Hilltop neighborhood indeed puts materials, shape and art on display, while appliances and tools stay undercover.

Just to the right of the Wolf range, the Sub-Zero refrigerator and freezer are masked by cabinet-door facades—the same painted white oak as the perimeter cabinets. A walk-in pantry with a hidden door offers storage behind the planked wall with a painting by Denver-based artist Alyson Khan. Tucked around the corner on the opposite side, a built-in coffee bar services the window-wrapped breakfast nook, which Morris outfitted with a sofa "for a lounge-y coffee or wine area."

The kitchen proper includes white Carrara marble countertops from The Stone Collection, painted-white range-wall cabinets and the counter-height island of whitewashed cut oak with integrated channel pulls. A wood-and-steel, counter-height farm table, custom-made by Aspen Leaf Kitchens, acts as a second island, with Mark Albrecht Studio woven-leather and steel seating from John Brooks. European white-oak flooring by Arrigoni Woods grounds the space in spare, clean simplicity.

### PRO TIP

"I like kitchens to look like beautiful pieces of furniture. And open shelving—for the texture and interest it creates in the room."

— INTERIOR DESIGNER CAROLYN MORRIS

The stunning visual in this space is the juxtaposition of the dramatically veined marble backsplash, the Waterworks unlacquered brass faucet, black woven-basket-style Serena & Lily pendant lighting, and custom steel open shelves by Aspen Leaf, on which perches art by Deborah Zlotsky of Robischon Gallery. "It is an airy, dramatic visual in this modern farmhouse," Morris says.

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