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# ADDING SOME

# *Colour* TO YOUR KITCHEN

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The kitchen continues to be the heart of any home, but if you feel your kitchen is lacking in personality, then rest assured it doesn't take much to inject a bit of life into your space.

A little colour in the kitchen can go a long way in transforming a basic white or neutral kitchen into an attractive living space with charm.

It's true that neutral kitchens will always maintain their popularity, and for obvious reasons. Kitchens are an expensive and time consuming room to renovate. Therefore, staying relatively neutral allows you to maximize the longevity of your space and your investment. That said, neutral does not need to equal boring.

Consider the great range of kitchen accessories available to us which are a great way of bringing colour and character into this well-used room.

Over the last couple of years we have been seeing colour emerge in both large and small appliances. If you're in need of a new range for your kitchen, why not look to inject some colour with this great gas range from Bertazzoni, available in numerous different colours with great stainless steel accents? Many of the smaller appliances on the market are now being manufactured in an array of fun and whimsical options that can bring a spark of colour to your countertops. Breville has introduced their Barista Express beverage station in a gorgeous cranberry red, Kitchen-Aid has an array of fun colours for their stand mixers, or perhaps it's the Dualit retro toaster in yellow that has caught your eye! Either way, the opportunity to add colour and character to your kitchen is easily found.





If you're a bit more adventurous, coloured cabinetry may be your way of dramatizing your kitchen. This kitchen with red high-gloss cabinets is a great demonstration of injecting colour into a contemporary neutral black and stainless kitchen, and the addition of the ceiling fan from Royal Lighting really completes the modern industrial aesthetic.

*This spring is about colour, so get out there, get inspired and inject some life into your kitchen!*



## Here are a few **tips** to get you started

- Paint is a great cost-effective way of punching up your space, whether it's walls or cabinetry, and it's easy enough to change.
- With all the rich fabrics and colours available this year, why not add a colourful banquette in lieu of chairs at your kitchen table like this one from Silva Custom Furniture.
- If you have any glass cabinetry fill it with an assortment of colourful dishes and glassware.
- Tea towels and oven mitts are available in an array of colours and patterns. Pick up some new ones for a quick seasonal change-up in your kitchen.
- A pretty bowl of lemons or bright green apples instantly adds a burst of colour to your space, as does fresh flowers and plants.
- Colourful trays and platters should be pulled out of your cabinets and put on display.
- Find some great artwork or perhaps a colourful clock to hang on your bare walls.
- Most of all, don't be afraid of having fun with colour and accessories in your kitchen. These are all easy and fun ways to punch up your space.



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