Fabulous Function

When this Downers Grove, Ill., family decided to remodel their kitchen, they had many wishes for the new space. Hoping for an updated, enlarged area without breaking the bank, they tasked Nicole M. Weiland of Casa Bella Design Center with the project. Weiland's expertise transformed the previously bland kitchen into a functional, beautiful cucina.

The new culinary space accommodates additional storage and room for casual entertaining. To dramatically open the space, Weiland removed a wall. The new area houses an island with seating and allows ample natural light into the room. Important to the homeowners was a well-chosen color palette, so Weiland selected a blend of warm and cool tones to further enhance the ambiance. The contrasting cherry cabinets and gray-toned tiles throughout the backsplash are unified with quartz countertops flecked with brown, gray and orange. Adding a splash of color are orange glass mosaics that dot the backsplash. The overall design detail also includes black contemporary cabinet hardware and lighting to coordinate with the appliances. The finished result is not only budget friendly, but the remodeled kitchen is also a warm, stylish, roomy space the family was seeking. «

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SPECIAL FEATURES
Multilevel countertop on island; glass tile backsplash

DIMENSIONS
20 x 20

PRODUCTS USED
Cabinetry: UltraCraft
Flooring: Red oak hardwood
Countertops: Staron quartz
Sink(s): Blanco
Faucets: Delta
Dishwasher: Existing
Range: Jenn-Air
Lighting: Dolan
Refrigerator: Existing
Wallcovering: Paint
Microwave: GE Profile
Backsplash: Daltile Mountain Peak, Marcasas glass

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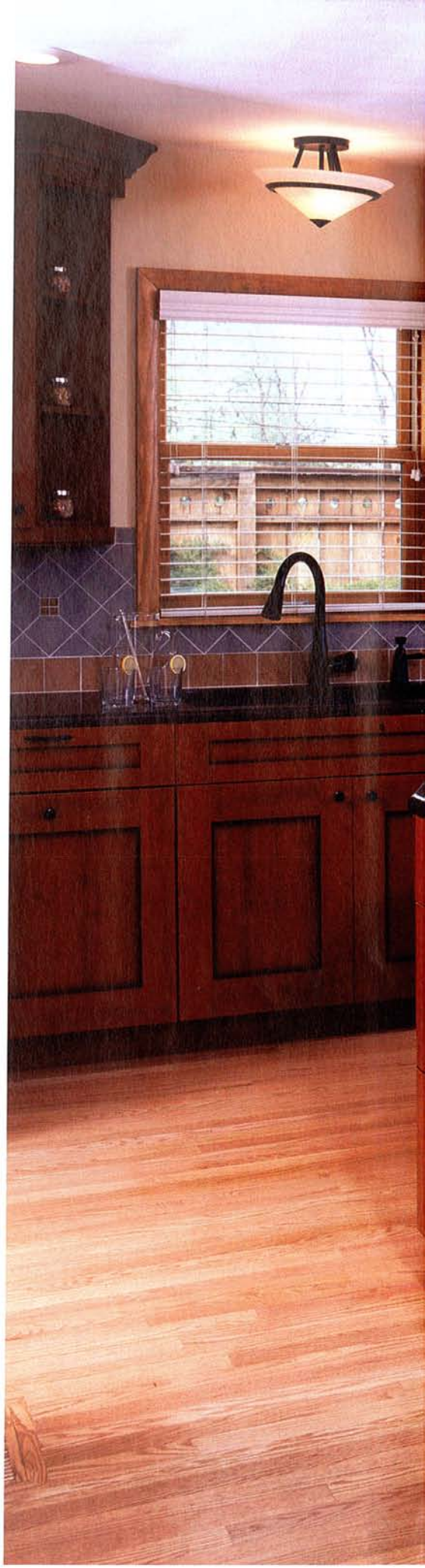

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