

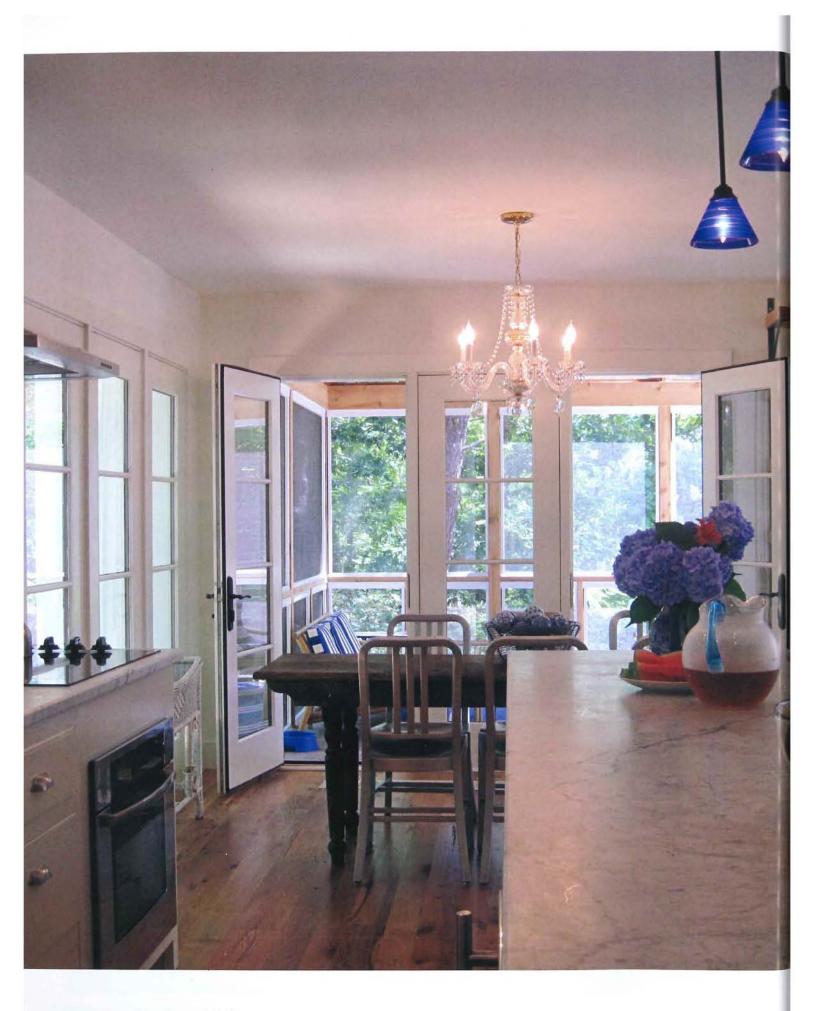
A clean and simple design that resembles more of a living area than a kitchen was the inspiration behind this Cape Cod kitchen. JMKA architects worked closely with their clients to provide a kitchen fit for entertaining in a vacation home on the Cape.

Requesting a kitchen that the clients and their guests could cook in together, the kitchen was designed to accommodate large groups of people. JMKA delivered, but with a relatively compact space to work with. Given that the house is only 2,200 square feet, the firm's architects were inspired by the efficiency of tight and

compact kitchens and living spaces on boats.

Keeping the design clean and simple and working within set parameters, the firm ensured the kitchen opens up to the dining area and the living area as well as being by the front entry of the house.

In this active, working kitchen, the island is the main workspace for preparing and serving meals. The island serves as a separation between the cook and the guests who can either sit at the counter or be in the living area but still have the cook be part of the conversation. It includes a below-counter refrigerator, a micro-







wave, storage space for serving dishes as the food is taken out of the oven and off the cook top and recyclable bins built in to a cabinet.

Throughout the kitchen, the cabinets were painted the same color as the walls to blend in and the counters, which are a Carrera marble, really open up the space. The reclaim red and white oak floors flow through all of the rooms, creating uniformity throughout the entire house.

In order to make the project work as a whole, JMKA remodeled the entire house, changing the locations of the living/entertaining areas as well as adding on enclosed exterior spaces to increase the overall space to make it ideal for entertaining. JMKA ensured their clients have an open and idyllic entertainment space to host many gatherings on the Cape with friends and family.

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