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# kitchen design / traditional



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## CUSTOM CATERING

**W**hen the heart of the house is designed by the architect, it feels better connected to the rest of the home. That was the case with this kitchen conceived by Douglas VanderHorn Architects, who drew the plans for the entire Shingle-style home in Rye for a family with three young children. "This is their dream home," says Doug VanderHorn, AIA, whose firm designed the kitchen layout and cabinets and assisted with appliance selection. "With the open planning of newer homes, the kitchen is very much a part of the living space, and it really helps to integrate the rest of the millwork in the house." Here, the diamond transom detail between the kitchen and family room echoes a pattern in the cabinetry and also in the diamond grid on the windows. Wideboard, quarter-sawn oak floors throughout

and V-groove board ceilings in several rooms add to the cohesive look, as does the blue paint of the family room, which complements the bolder blue on the center island.

VanderHorn worked closely with decorator Toni Gallagher, who spec'd those blue hues and also brought in the striking marble for the backsplash. The gray veining of the marble is picked up in the custom hood, a polished chrome with gray paint created by Betlan, and the luxe French Lacanche range, a focal point and exceptional tool for the homeowner, who is a serious cook. A sunlit breakfast room has a wall of French doors leading out to the terrace. "This is such a nice, easy space, and they really live in it," says VanderHorn of the clients. "It fulfilled their dream-house imagination, and they couldn't be happier." —MKH





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Dramatic veining in the marble backsplash picks up on the gray tones in the hood and Lacanche range. The breakfast room leads out to the terrace via a wall of French doors. The chic pantry houses lacquered cabinetry, walnut counters, a hammered nickel sink and mirrored backsplash.

**opposite:** From paint hues to millwork detailing to V-groove-board ceilings, the design links between kitchen and family room are clear and cohesive. A lattice-like motif in the transom millwork plays off of the windows and cabinetry details.