

Interior design tips



Camellia & Co's Elaine Skinner shares how to 'zone' open-plan kitchen-diners



The big appeal of open-plan kitchen dining rooms is for the cook to remain part of the action when preparing family meals or entertaining. Faced with a big blank canvas they can be tricky spaces to make work though. "The trick is to create zones for different activities," explains Elaine.

"Paint is relatively easy to apply, most of us can give it a go! Here we used Slaked Lime Dark from Little Greene to zone the kitchen area and create a cosy, cocooning mood. Wallpaper is a fantastic way to add subtle texture, colour and a touch of glamour. Here we used Jane Churchill Astral in Midnight to give the dining area a rich, sophisticated look."

Introduce bespoke cushions on a corner sofa to add a luxurious, boutique touch, as well as a practical place for the family or dinner guests to relax. "We used Harlequin's Leonida Perla fabric to add some luxe texture. If curtains are not practical then opt for Roman blinds. Here we used two different but toning fabrics by Zoffany: Moonsilk (left) and Atmosfera (right)."

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