

Attention to Detail

Hurst Design Build Remodel

A TYPICAL COLONIAL KITCHEN with outdated fixtures and a fading prefinished hardwood floor got a major remodel when Hurst Design Build Remodel assessed.

Hurst Design Build Remodel assessed the opportunity for this space. The homeowners wanted a high-end look, better functionality — a space that would take them into their next phase of enjoying the Avon Lake family home, which was built in the mid-1990s. It was simply time to make some upgrades.

"The project was a complete gut — we removed and replaced everything, but the overall layout stayed intact," says Pat Hurst of Hurst Design Build Remodel.

The existing island was narrow and had an intrusive angle, which was redesigned into a roomy rectangle and now serves as a dynamic dining space. It features an Alaskan White granite top, along with detailed woodwork in a brown-black finish with turned, rounded off legs that makes the piece look like an antique.

More light is ushered into the space with an expanded configuration above kitchen sink with a rectangular transom window stacked over a generous 3-window row, revealing views of the backyard. The microwave-hood removed, and Hurst designed a classic-looking hood with corbels that serve as a statement piece. The backsplash behind the range features 3-by-6 inch travertine tiles with a 1-by-1 inch mosaic glass tile design. Countertops in black pearl granite set off the painted custom cabinets. "There is lots of millwork and trim detailing," Hurst describes, relating how the new design's intricacies accomplish the luxury kitchen look the homeowners desired.

The owners love having two sinks in the kitchen, and one of two closet pantries was converted into a dry bar with







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BEFORE

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a beverage refrigerator. The other closet was replaced with cabinets and still functions as a roomy pantry space.

"Overall, the space has more detail and more lighting." Hurst says, noting the addition of recessed lighting throughout the kitchen and pendants that serve as focal points above the island and illuminate that dining space.

Before the renovation began, Hurst set up a temporary kitchen in the owners' basement so they could cook and carry on with kitchen activities during construction. The existing cabinetry and countertops were moved downstairs, and plumbing was put in to accommodate a sink. The temporary kitchen filled a gap in the basement area — and got the homeowners thinking: Why not put a bar there? After the temporary kitchen was removed and the kitchen project completed, the couple enlisted in Hurst to build a bar with a sink and display shelving. It was an ideal spot for it, near a pool table and entertainment space.

Now, Hurst is continuing renovations in the home with the master suite and laundry room remodel. As it goes in remodeling, one project often leads to another. "The owners love where they live," Hurst says of their decision to remodel. "It will always be home to them."

— Kristen Hampshire