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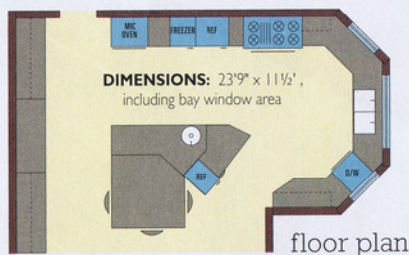
All-Purpose Center Island

Pairing traditional dark cabinets and a sleek angled island results in a hip gathering space

WISH LIST

- ✓ Kitchen that allows multiple cooks to work together happily
- ✓ Space open to a family room for easy conversations
- ✓ Beverage center

WHEN THEIR APPLIANCES STARTED GOING, FRIENDS OF DESIGNER Adel L. Visser, CKD, CBD, CID, decided it was finally time to remodel their kitchen. Aside from the new equipment, Visser saw the remodeling as a chance to upgrade the builder-grade cabinets, countertops and backsplashes that were part of the original design, as well as rearrange the layout. "There was no place to be without being in the way," Visser says. After convincing her clients to include a table with several chairs rather than just stools at a counter, Visser was able to proceed with her vision: a meandering, three-level island in the center of the room that provides a large table at the lowest level, a mid-level counter with a prep sink for work near the refrigerator/freezer and wall ovens, and a top level for more work space close to the main work zone. And all around for easy maneuverability, there is wide aisle space. The look of the kitchen reflects the owners' wish for a transitional yet dramatic design. The dark cherry stained cabinets and Verde Maritaca green granite countertops contribute to the room's traditional style. Stainless steel appliances, big glass diamond tiles—in a multitone palette of greens and grays on the backsplash—and walls painted a sage green add modern panache; and the pale maple floor ties all together. To brighten the room, Visser installed a skylight plus color-correct fluorescent lights on top and below the wall cabinets. She also ran a unique monorail light system above the island.



The Basics

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» SPECIAL FEATURES:

Island incorporates a seating area, an area for prepping and an angled shape; Easy access to dishware and beverages for kids in island's upper section; Integrated printer and computer into tall pantry, and organized unit so pieces would be kept out of sight but easily usable

PRODUCTS USED:

- **Cabinetry:** Cherry with mahogany stain by Hole in the Wall
- **Cooktop:** Thermador
- **Hood:** Vent-a-Hood
- **Countertops:** Verde Maritaca, granite
- **Sinks:** Blanco, Silgranit
- **Faucets:** Kohler, Everhot
- **Beverage center:** U-Line
- **Refrigerator/freezer, oven/microwave:** KitchenAid
- **Hardware:** Berenson, satin nickel
- **Monorail light system:** Tech Lighting
- **Backsplash tiles:** Daltile, Glass Reflections
- **Dishwasher:** KitchenAid

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COOL IDEA An under-counter refrigerator provides easy access to beverages while keeping traffic away from the main sink and cooking center.