



KITCHEN PHOTO: LUCAS ALLEN, HEADSHOT: COLLEEN DUFFEY.

# KITCHEN + BATH LIVING COLOR

HAPPY HUES AND BOLD PALETTES TURN THE HOME'S HARDEST-WORKING SPACES INTO FUNCTIONAL SHOWPIECES THAT THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX. WRITTEN BY BRIELLE M. FERREIRA

It's easy to see why white kitchens and bathrooms are so popular in the modern home—like a signature dish perfected over many potlucks and dinner parties, they are ideal for the chef who wants to play it safe. They're elegant and classic and show no signs of going out of style. For those seeking a little more adventure in their interiors, though, it's becoming increasingly difficult to ignore the allure of color, of bold, look-at-me spaces that demand the spotlight. Thankfully, today's bold kitchens and baths banish all memories of the avocado refrigerators and pale pink tiles of yesteryear; instead, their vibrant palettes borrow their power from high fashion and graphic style for spaces that are decidedly *à la mode*.

## BLUE PLATE SPECIAL ANDREW HOWARD

Interior designer Andrew Howard cooks up a dreamy kitchen scene in varying shades of blue for this family-friendly Florida kitchen. [andrewjhoward.com](http://andrewjhoward.com)



**How did you decide on the serene blue palette?**

It was a happy accident. We were looking for countertops, and we weren't quite sure what we wanted to do, but when we found this interesting blue marble, everything clicked. The whole kitchen was then born from there.

**Favorite thing about a colorful kitchen?**

It has a special "wow" factor you don't get from a more traditional space. The kitchen is where your friends and family spend about 90 percent of their time when they're with you; it's fun to give them something they've never seen.

**What would you say to those afraid of using color in a kitchen?**

Don't be! Even if you're a little hesitant to paint all of your cabinets a certain shade, you can bring in color in small ways for a big impact. A hint of hue on your backsplash or barstools can go a long way.



## BOOK IT SO REFRESHING



The dreamy mixology depicted in powerhouse recipe developer María del Mar Sacasa and photographer Tara Striano's beautifully bound volume, *Summer Cocktails*, proves that there's more than one way to bring color to the kitchen, like through pretty garnishes and powerful potions crafted to keep the party going. [quirkbooks.com](http://quirkbooks.com)

## LEAFY GREENS

Legendary Palm Beach ceramicist Dodie Thayer's signature lettuce ware has been highly coveted by a rather formidable crowd—think Brooke Astor and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis—since she threw the first plate back in the 1960s. However, with the supply of the iconic green (Duncan Irish Green to be exact) tableware in serious decline, it was only a matter of time before these vintage beauties went extinct; that is before Tory Burch stepped in, with the fashion heavy hitter recently teaming up with Thayer to put the preppy staples back into production and back on kitchen shelves for good. [toryburch.com](http://toryburch.com)



## MAKE A SPLASH

Glass mosaic tiles from Ann Sacks in navy, turquoise, gray and white are laid together in thick chevron stripes that transform the backsplash of this crisp kitchen into a work of art. The space, by San Francisco-based designer Ali Davin, relies on this colorful statement piece to bring life to an otherwise simple, Shaker-style kitchen. "When you have a bold graphic moment like the backsplash, you can't give it a lot of other competition," says Davin. "It's important to keep the built-in lines clean and ornamentation and hardware to a minimum." [jutehome.com](http://jutehome.com)

## COOL RUNNINGS SMEG FAB 28

The newest colorway from vintage-inspired appliance company Smeg—a sunny modern yellow meant to become the focal point of the kitchen—embraces the cool retro style of the brand's signature refrigerators and ovens with a bit of extra flair not meant for the faint of heart. [smegusa.com](http://smegusa.com)



# HEAVY METAL

## GET COOKING WITH COPPER

There's something delicate yet steadfast about the blushing metallic tones of copper and rose gold, which brings some much-needed warmth and serious feminine flair to the kitchen. It is the next generation's answer to stainless steel and it's catching on fast, with companies like Frigidaire introducing new lines of appliances in this lustrous hue and brands like Dornbracht offering the finish as a new option on most of its classic faucet silhouettes.

From left: Diamond Lamp / Pols Potten / [abchome.com](http://abchome.com).  
Burton Black Fabric / Larsen / [cowtan.com](http://cowtan.com). Rose Quartz / Cosentino / [silestoneusa.com](http://silestoneusa.com).  
Beaumont Juicer / Anthropologie / [anthropologie.com](http://anthropologie.com). Cylinder Shakers / Ladies & Gentlemen / [ladiesandgentlemenstudio.com](http://ladiesandgentlemenstudio.com).  
Rosa Aurora Marble / Continental / [continentalboca.com](http://continentalboca.com). Tri-Ply Copper Cookware / KitchenAid / [kitchenaid.com](http://kitchenaid.com). Tara Faucet in Cyprum Finish / Dornbracht / [dornbracht.com](http://dornbracht.com).

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“I LOVE THE BRASS HERE. IT’S THE PERFECT COMPLEMENT TO THE ORANGE VANITY. THEY’RE BOTH SO UNEXPECTED AND FUN.”

-HALLIE HENLEY,  
HALLIEHENLEYDESIGN.COM



“SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AS A GREAT CONCRETE TILE FLOOR CAN BE ALL YOU NEED TO MAKE A BATH FEEL SPECIAL.”

-KURT BIELAWSKI,  
MOREDESIGNBUILD.COM



TILE FLOOR BATHROOM: STEPHEN KARLSCH; BLUE BATHROOM: NICOLE COHEN; ORANGE BATHROOM: COURTESY HALLIE HENLEY DESIGN.

## COLOR THEORY

There is nothing better than a spa-inspired master bathroom to serve as a restful escape, putting a much-needed soothing stamp on the end of the day, but what about spaces specifically designed to help give your morning routine a major jump-start? Like a double shot of espresso, big doses of color in these super-functional rooms inspire homeowners with a little get-up-and-go. On these pages, designers from across the country talk about what makes a successful color-filled bathroom and share their favorites from their own design portfolios.

“THE BOLD QUADRILLE PAPER BRINGS MODERN FLAIR TO THE CLASSIC PANELING AND PENNY ROUND FLOORING.”

-LAUREN MUSE, MUSEINTERIORS.NET





“THE GALBRAITH & PAUL-INSPIRED WALL STENCIL PROVIDES A GLAMOROUS BACKDROP FOR THE VANITY AND MIRROR, WHICH ANCHORS THE DESIGN.”

-TINEKE TRIGGS, ADLSF.COM

PURPLE BATHROOM: ERIC RORER, GREEN BATHROOM: NANCY NOLAN, GRAY BATHROOM: MARIO REED.



“GRAY TONES ARE BEAUTIFUL AND SOOTHING BUT CAN BE A BIT CHILLY, SO BRINGING IN THE WOODEN MIRROR ADDED THE PERFECT TOUCH OF WARMTH.”

-AMY KEHOE, NICKEYKEHOE.COM



“WHEN PLAYING WITH COLOR IN THE BATHROOM, JUST REMEMBER TO STICK WITH THE SHADES THAT ARE MOST FLATTERING TO YOUR SKIN TONE.”

-TOBI FAIRLEY, TOBIFAIRLEY.COM