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## Patience Rewarded

An Eisenhower-era kitchen in Boulder gets a thoroughly modern makeover

BY JANE CRAIG



Whoever said good things come to those who wait could have been talking about the kitchen of this 1956 Boulder ranch. The homeowners, who have lived in the house (with its original kitchen and original floor plan) since 1980, decided that, after 35 years, it was time to remodel the 700-square-foot main-floor area that included the kitchen, dining room and living room. “The big issues were access, light and flow,” says the wife. “Though the kitchen was spacious, it was dark and poorly lighted. But the living room has wonderful, large front windows that overlook the Flatirons, and once we removed the load-bearing wall between the kitchen and living room, the light flooded in.” Sobo Kitchens, which did the interior construction work, recommended Kabi’s customized European-style cabinets, which the owner did in two tones, adding plenty of storage (“I used to have to haul a pantry’s worth of appliances up from the basement”). The large island doubles as a food-prep area and bar when guests come over. “It really is a fun space, because guests tend to congregate on the living room side while we’re bustling in the kitchen,” the owner adds. “It’s got a great social vibe but is also really practical.” **DLM**



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