



6 unique kitchen elements to add personality to your kitchen renovation

These days, we're all dreaming about stylish kitchens. Who among us hasn't spent hours diving into the kitchen renovation rabbit hole, never quite being ready to commit to a full remodel.

But here's the good news, folks. A stylish kitchen doesn't have to be a brand-spankin' new one. Many designers these days are instead reaching for the sorts of fixtures, finishes and stylistic flourishes that bring with them a well-worn and lived-in appeal. Call it rustic charm, boho chic, modern farmhouse or just call it stylish.

In this article we share five ways to cook up a new kitchen look – without throwing the old one out.

Update your splashback with decorative tiles

There's a reason why colourful or patterned tiles have been decorating kitchens since 4000 BC. That reason is instant personality. When chosen carefully (and used sparingly), a tiled splashback, floor or small slice of wall can enliven the most anonymous 'cooking space' to create a kitchen that is truly your own. And, for the most part, it can be pretty cheap too.



Brighten the walls with a lick of paint

While neutral or monochrome schemes are likely to have a more timeless appeal, a few well-thought-out splashes of colour can have huge ripple effect on the feeling of your entire home. Plus, it's quick and economical.

Which colour should you choose? Well, it all comes down to taste, of course -not to mention your kitchen's unique size, shape, contents and lighting. But it might be worth considering earthy tones, such as rich and warming clay, dark colours like inky blues and blacks to add drama or pale, cool shades of green for a calming effect.[]



Give life back to second-hand items

Op shops, antique stores or even your own garage can unearth wonders – from legitimate antiques to sturdy basics that can be transformed with a bit of varnish or paint. The key is to shop with imagination – you really can create some truly unique statement pieces if you have the vision to see what's possible.



Have a light-bulb moment

That's right – changing your lighting can do wonders in shifting the mood and aesthetic of the room. Why not trade in overhead fluorescents for a warmer orange bulb, or add to the ambience with a selection of lamps? Even fairy lights in jars or wound across door frames can add a bit of mystique to your cooking space and highlight the colours of your appliances

in a new way.



Change the kitchen handles

Don't think your kitchen can handle a total makeover? Well, why not stick to just the handles – a simple and understated way to spotlight new colours and textures around the room. From doors to cupboards, and even the surrounding furniture, a few new handles can bring a whole new feeling to the room. Why not experiment with a statement colour like a pastel green or yellow, or a new bold texture like cast iron or wood? Speaking of colour lifts...



Give grey a go for something different

While stainless steel has been a popular choice with NEFF appliances for years, recent customers have been loving the option to have graphite grey strips and handles. This darker shade adds a touch of modernity and style to kitchens of any colour.

A dark, sleek, neutral colour that goes with pretty much anything, [NEFF's Graphite Grey range](#) sports a darker shade of strips and handles, which are

as delightful to look at as they are to touch. While it's a colour that doesn't scream out for praise and attention, we promise that's just what it will get.

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