



# How to design a Tuscan-inspired kitchen for your home

From olive groves to vineyards, the ocean and classic architecture – Tuscany is known for its beauty and undeniably recognisable style. And while you may not be able to holiday in the region year-round, you can bring a slice of the Italian paradise to your own home by creating a Tuscan-inspired kitchen. How? Read on for some tips on the style elements to include in your Tuscan kitchen design.

## Layout

Italy is synonymous with good food. And whether you're in Italy or Australia, a good kitchen layout is important in creating good food. A typical Tuscan-style layout includes a central island bench, often square in shape, which can be used for making, preparing or entertaining. Each side is bookended by a work zone, such as the stove or cooktop, sink or fridge, plus ample bench space, ensuring ease of access. If you're in the market for new appliances, NEFF's [built-in stainless steel oven with Slide&Hide®](#) and [built-in oven with added steam function](#) are made for those who love to cook and create – and their sleek look ensures they won't detract from the aesthetic or design of your space.



It's also important to think about the location and size of windows, lights, overhead cupboards, shelving and large rangehoods, like [NEFF's wall-mounted canopy rangehood](#). Feature pieces like freestanding sideboards or bench stools may also be considerations when designing a Mediterranean-inspired space.

## **Design**

### **Earthy tones**

Tuscan style is all about the earthy tones. And they not only look good, but add a sense of calm to your kitchen space too. Traditionally, this has included muted reds, greens and creams. Today, pops of colour can also be included. Golds, browns, shades of cinnamon and pastel green will all make a comeback, tying in nicely with traditional Tuscan colouring.



### **Ceramics and texture**

The ceramic trend has seen a resurgence in the last year (think handmade vases, dishes and table pieces) and they make the perfect addition when creating a Tuscan-like kitchen. From your crockery to your floor tiles, the Tuscan style uses materials that create a natural look and feel. This could include terracotta tiles, ceramic plates, funky centrepieces, ornaments and other natural-look elements that add texture to your space.



### Exposed materials

In some Tuscan kitchens, exposed beams or bricks are used to create a more rustic look. This might look like overhead trusses, a brick canopy for your rangehood or a stone splashback. Or in a more modern Tuscan kitchen, such materials could be used for feature pieces – such as a wooden table, sideboard or window shutters. It's also important to think about the products and appliances you will include, to ensure they don't detract or clash with the materials you use in your kitchen. NEFF's [induction cooktop](#) and [semi-integrated dishwasher](#) are a great choice – integrating subtly without taking away from the look of your space.



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