



## How to design a cottage-inspired kitchen

It's the cosy cottage-style decorating trend that's taking winter designing world by storm – but what is cottagecore?

Inspired by the countryside and the choosing design elements with intention, cottagecore brings together vintage charm and modern functionality.

The trend started in 2016 and continues to rise popularity. So how do you create a cottage-inspired kitchen?

Read on for some tips on how to incorporate cottagecore into your kitchen while still keeping your appliances modern and functional.



### Emphasise natural materials and textures

One of the key characteristics of a cottagecore kitchen is its use of natural materials and textures. Wood, in particular, is a key material due to its warmth – both in hue and temperature absorption. It perfectly complements stone or exposed brick, especially when it comes in the form of hardwood floors or distressed wooden cabinets.



NEFF's [induction cooktop](#) is sleek and thin enough to help create meals that go along with the cottage core trends (a [warming pumpkin soup](#), anyone?) without detracting from the aesthetic.



## **Incorporate vintage and repurposed elements**

To truly capture the essence of a cottage-inspired kitchen, incorporate vintage and repurposed elements into your design. Hunt for antique furniture pieces like farmhouse tables, or vintage cabinets. These pieces add a sense of history and nostalgia, instantly infusing your kitchen with character.

You could also consider transforming old wooden crates into open shelving units, or repurposing vintage mason jars as storage containers. These creative touches not only contribute to the rustic feel, but also make your kitchen design unique and personalised.



## Blend style with cooking craft

Think of cottagecore style as returning to a simpler time – and what better way to do that than by eschewing some elements of store-bought, plastic-packaged modern convenience in favour of homemade delights.

From windowsills adorned with pots of fresh herbs, hanging garlands of garlic, or [homemade jams](#) and preserves, these elements not only add a nod of cottage style to your space, but give you plenty of flavour to amplify your food. Whether you're wanting to take your cottage-inspired home to a new level with an [edible garden](#) or you simply want to make sure your [chillis](#) or [lemons](#) don't go to waste, using your favourite ingredients in your styling is both practical and pretty.



## Don't sacrifice modern function

While a cottage-inspired kitchen is about creating a warm and cosy vibe, every cook knows a kitchen is nothing without functional appliances.



The oven is the heart of the kitchen, and having one as nifty as this [Choice Recommended Oven](#) from NEFF – which self-cleans, has [Slide&Hide®](#), a unique, fully disappearing oven door, and [CircoTherm®](#), a smart, hot air function that allows you to bake on up to four levels – is key.

Planning to upgrade your kitchen appliances or replace an old oven? [Book a free demonstration](#) with a NEFF Cooking expert to learn more about the right appliance for you.

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