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8 kitchen design trends to bookmark for 2023

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Interior design trends can be a fickle beast. One moment it's concrete floors and open shelves, the next it's colourful kitchen cabinets and sleek marble benchtops. While we're all for designing with longevity (and sustainability) in mind, there's something to be said for keeping abreast of trends. Especially when it comes to your kitchen, which is arguably the heartland of the home.

As we discovered from our 2023 interior design trends report, shared living spaces like the kitchen are undergoing a renaissance of sorts. Stone benchtops remain popular as ever, but kitchen designers are seeing an influx of more traditional and 'coastal grandma' vibes filtering through. From beautiful marble finishes on kitchen islands, to the death knell of those once ubiquitous all-white kitchens, there's a push for more colour, mixed materials and playfulness for 2023.

Keep reading to discover eight more kitchen trend predictions from seven interior designers.



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Photographed by Anson Smart and interior design by Tamsin Johnson. From designer Tamsin Johnson's heritage family home

3. Statement lighting

Art Deco is set to make a comeback in 2023, and with it the resurgence of the statement light. “Lighting can be a strong final touch to any room and unique lighting will trump simple.” says Galloway. And the more oversized the better, according to Eddie Maestri, principal architect and creative director of Maestri Studio. Alongside Art Deco, Maestri says to watch out for graphic and bold influences like Brutalism and Bauhaus as well.



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Photographed by Jenifer McNeil Baker and interior design by Maestri Studio

4. Mixed metals

“Now that brass is back, it's here to stay,” says Maestri. Jerad Gardemal also loves the look of satin brass hardware, and suggests it will be a mainstay for 2023 kitchen design. Still got a lot of stainless steel finishes in your kitchen? Luckily, the new mood is less matchy-matchy and more focused on creating a unique look. “Mixing of metal finishes will become the norm and will be forever mainstream,” he says, which is great news for anyone not willing to overhaul their whole kitchen every time a new tapware trend or metal finish emerges.



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Photographed by Prue Ruscoe, interior design by YSG and styled by Felicity Ng. From a Sydney penthouse apartment by YSG sets a colourful tone

5. Textural finishes

“I think people will continue to emphasise texture with backsplashes and statement lighting,” predicts Galloway. “Gone are the days of subway tile backsplashes—now we are seeing many hand-formed materials that have layers of depth and interest with their imperfections.” Think: Moroccan Zellige tiles, plaster wall finishes and natural stone bench tops. Designers are thinking beyond marble too. “Use of natural quartzite for counter tops has such beautiful light tones, but it is also durable and impervious to everyday wear and tear,” says Gardemal. Also consider adding texture via your kitchen cabinets, says Maestri. You can still opt for a modern and sleek cabinet design, but add ornate crowns and moldings for added textural detail.



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Photographed by Douglas Friedman and interior design by Osklo. From [a Belgian-inspired contemporary farmhouse in the Hollywood Hills](#)

Leave it behind

While we're loathe to label anything 'in' or 'out', sometimes trends simply reach their peak. Alongside the all-white kitchen, which trends are designers calling for the end of?

"Farmhouse chic," says Smith.

"Grey kitchens," says Lerner.

"The farmhouse trend has gone on far too long," says Smith. "No more 'Let's eat' signs in the kitchen... please!"

"Light white oak wood flooring, recessed can lighting and neon signs!" says Maestri. "It's possible boucle may already be hitting its peak too."

"Vintage-style white washed or lime washed lighting and porcelain tile that mimics wood planks," says Gardemal.