

renovator's notebook



1. english country

"The basic cabinet inspired this working-farm vignette. Wood counters, old-fashioned lights and an apron sink enhance the feel. You just want to go in and bake!"

the cabinet →
Shenandoah
Cabinetry
"Charleston"

Bell led the line's proportions and simple door fronts, but not its beadboard top cabinets. Slipping uppers altogether, he opted for a drawers-plus-open-shelves plan. \$24/LINEN FOOT, LOWES.COM FOR STORES

backsplash

In a herringbone pattern, standard subway tile takes a graphic turn. Bell says the arrangement accentuates the wall's height. 3" x 6" \$3.99/SQUARE FOOT. HERRINGBONE LARSON.COM FOR STORES



refrigerator
At less than 5' tall, this energy-efficient appliance recalls a '50s icebox. #FAB031 \$1,999. SHERIDAN.COM FOR STORES



faucet

The tap has a turned-lathe charm, and the wall mount evokes a farmhouse taproot. 12" oil-rubbed bronze "Oxbridge" #FA08 \$794. SAINTE.COM FOR STORES



hardware

Hand-forged pulls with an oil-rubbed-bronze finish telegraph "country kitchen." 1 1/2" "Duke's" \$119.99 EACH. RESTORATIONHARDWARE.COM



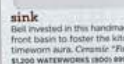
countertop

Butcher-block surfaces are great for rolling dough, and the natural wood harmonizes with the room's soft colors. John Boar and Company 25" x 39 1/2" hand-mixed maple \$328. BUTCHERBLOCKCO.COM



woodwork

Bracketed shelves and plain table legs—in an oaky green—prompted by the light fixtures—keep things sparse. Brackets \$24.99 EACH. 2 1/2" tapered legs from \$139.99 EACH. HANOVERS.COM. Paint in Minwax's "White #583." BENJAMINMOORE.COM FOR STORES



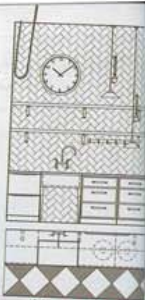
sink

Bell invested in this handmade apron-front basin to foster the kitchen's time-worn aura. Cressle "Farmhouse" \$1,200. WATERWORKS. 1-800-899-4787



pot rack

This inexpensive metal support is appropriately rustic and puts heavy everyday cookware within easy reach. Grace Collection 24" utility bar \$49. CSNSTORES.COM



the concept



lighting

The pendant's counterweight moves it up and down, allowing for focused or broader illumination as needed. Cressle "Star & Bell" \$228. MARSTON-AND-LANINGER.COM



flooring

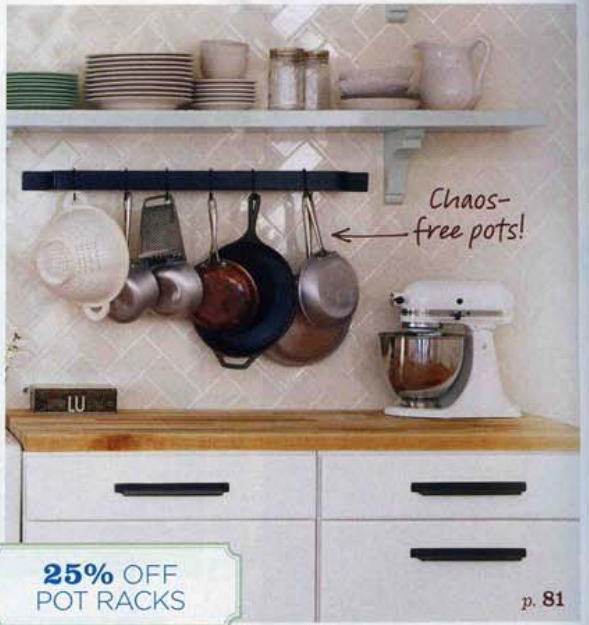
Bell upgraded the common linoleum checkerboard pattern with two shades of Italian stone. Trentise in Pupierino \$19.95/SQUARE FOOT, and Zior \$21.50/SQUARE FOOT. ARTISTIC TILE (877) 539-5401



the result

Although this design seems most apt for historic houses, Bell notes that the straightforward cabinets easily adapt to different decors. "Change the mahogany clock to stainless steel, the hardware and faucet to something a little more polished, and you can put this kitchen anywhere," he says. CONTACT JASON BELL AT (312) 338-0006.
DISHWASHER "Double Dish-Drawer" \$699. Fisherpaykel.com for stores. STUOL (similar to shown) 18" unfinished wood \$49.99. Target.com. MIXER "Artisan" \$349.99. Kitchenaid.com. CUTTING BOARD "Artisan" \$72.95, WOOD \$10.95 and \$12.95 each. GREEN PLATES. Jaden's \$24.95 each, FITCHER \$32.95 and LARGE BOWLS (top shelf) \$14.95 to \$29.95 each, all at fisherspaykel.com. WINEGLASSES "Fabor" \$11 each, marston-and-laninger.com. CELADON BOWLS 6" "Belmont" \$22 each, and 5" "Weatherford" \$46. simonoparca.com. CLOCK (similar to shown) 30" "Metropolis" \$129. cb2.com

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