

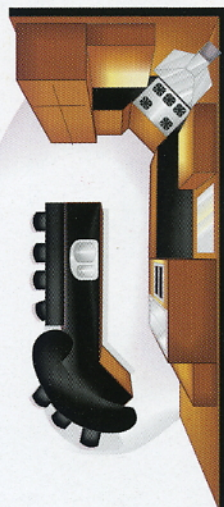


## Balancing Act

WHEN THESE HOMEOWNERS wanted to bring a wow factor into their New England colonial home, they brought on Don L. Smith, AKBD, CS, of Dream Kitchens. They entertained often and needed a space that was equal parts kitchen and gathering spot. This design was to be contemporary but in a subdued format with clean, uncluttered lines.

Their stainless steel refrigerator had been recently purchased and worked well with the natural cherry cabinets and Atlantic Black granite. Each of the other new appliances was selected on its individual merits, such as integration, storage capacity, and visual impact. The corner cooktop is backed by a one-of-a-kind tiled backsplash that incorporates glass tiles in colors of fire and smoke inlaid into full-height Atlantic Black granite. A modernistic stainless steel hood tops the very cool look.

The large center island is multifunctional, serving as the prep/cleanup center on one end and as party central on the other end. The raised display cabinet with stainless accents ties the various elements to the central theme and is the first flourish a visitor sees when entering from the foyer. The contemporary look is completed with a large tempered-glass top supported by 3-inch chrome uprights, and pendant lighting and custom counter stools contribute to the festive atmosphere. «



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### SPECIAL FEATURES

Multilevel island with raised glass top, custom stainless steel island panels

### DIMENSIONS

25' x 13'

### PRODUCTS USED

Cabinetry: Adelphi Kitchens & Cabinetry  
Countertops: Atlantic Black granite  
Sink(s): Franke, Elkay  
Faucets: Whitehaus  
Refrigerator: Sub-Zero  
Cooktop: Thermador  
Oven: Miele  
Dishwasher: Miele

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