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THE MATTE BLACK KITCHEN

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DESIGNED WITH A LITTLE DRAMA





BACK IN BLACK

Produced by Anne Marie Ashley

Bronze is bold, and silver never fades, but matte black is an obsession we can't suppress. When it comes to bold kitchen design, the shine-free finish is appearing on statement-making appliances, interest-bearing backsplashes, and dramatic countertops, and is used strategically in fixtures, faucets, and hardware. It is at once exceedingly practical and arrestingly dramatic – a go-to neutral while also a perfect “pop of color.”

Designer Lisa Mende knows a thing or two when it comes to designing with this dark horse and has a couple tips and a few favorite products for designing with matte black in mind. “Lighting, hardware, fabrics, wallpaper, and furnishings can work together to make basic black interesting, defining a style like traditional, transitional, or modern,” Mende says. “If kitchen cabinets are the matte black element, light and contrast are needed. And while I adore an all black-and-white story, sometimes it's fun to add a color.”



“THE BRASS PEARL IN THIS LISA JARVIS PULL ADDS AN AIR OF SOPHISTICATED WHIMSY.”

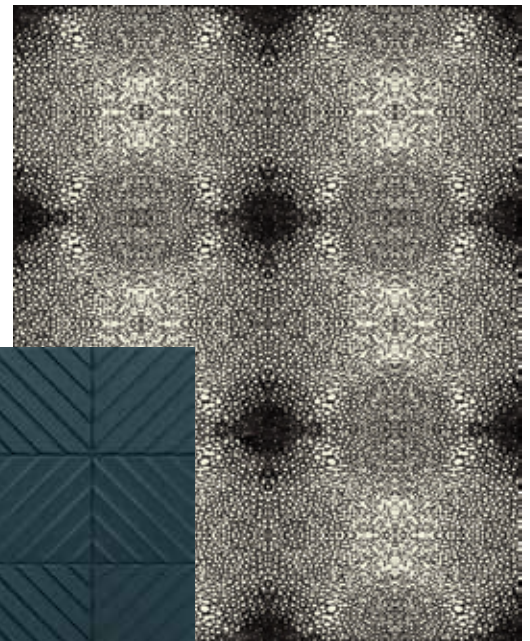
Lisa Mende



Arteriors Norelle Pendant / \$1,050 / www.modernlightingdesign.com
Kravet TOBA Fabric / to the trade / www.ahokelimited.com
Lisa Jarvis Oyster Drawer Pull / \$58 each / www.birddecorativehardware.com
Livettes Tropical Leaves Wallpaper / Starting at \$36 / www.livetteswallpaper.com
SMEG FAB28U / \$1,999 / www.smegusa.com

“EVERY ROOM
NEEDS A LITTLE BLING!”

Lisa Mende



Clockwise from top left:

Louise Gaskill Etta Chandelier / to the trade / www.louisegaskill.com

Shine by S.H.O Alexis Rug / \$68 per square foot / www.shinebysho.com

Walker Zanger 4D Collection in Deep Blue / \$9.75 / www.walkerzanger.com

Kohler Purist Bridge Kitchen Faucet / \$1,236 / www.hughessupply.com

Rejuvenation Beckett Drawer Pull / \$35 / www.rejuvenation.com

Akan by Lizzo Fabric / to the trade / www.ahokelimited.com

La Cornue Range / Starting at \$52,700 / www.lacornueusa.com

LexMod Pyramid Dining Chair / \$67.75 / www.lexmod.com