

COLOR/KITCHEN

PHILIP GORRIVAN **BENJAMIN MOORE RAZZLE DAZZLE 1348**

Pick one wall. Apply two coats of Rust-Oleum Magnetic primer, paint it this yummy raspberry color, and then put up your children's artwork, school schedules, and birthday invites with magnets.

BARCLAY BUTERA **RALPH LAUREN CREAM STONE UL54 AND WEATHERED BROWN UL44**

The Home Depot Expo has some great cabinet options. Paint them Cream Stone, a muted off-white, more gray than yellow. Then use rich, taupey Weathered Brown on the walls for contrast. It makes the kitchen a little more masculine, more sophisticated.

ANN MCGUIRE **VALSPAR SPRING SQUASH 2008-1B**

You're taking a chance with orange, but it can be fabulous. It's playful during the day for kids doing projects, and at night, with the lamps lit, it glows. Start with one wall—that may be enough.

SANDRA NUNNERLEY **BENJAMIN MOORE WOLF GRAY 2127-40**

I'm so tired of all those off-white cabinets. I'd paint them this dark Swedish gray-blue, and make the whole room very Gustavian, with chalky white walls, Carrara marble countertops, and stainless-steel appliances.

JASON BELL **PRATT & LAMBERT TAMPICO 1411**

In an old kitchen where the cabinets, counters, and appliances were all mismatched shades of white, we needed a distraction. So we painted just the doors, not the frames of the cabinets, this teal-green aquamarine and replaced the cheap white plastic knobs with vintage hardware. Last touch—a black-and-white tile floor.

MICK DE GIULIO **BENJAMIN MOORE GREAT BARRINGTON GREEN HC-122**

Especially in a small kitchen, people don't think of dark colors as an option, but that's exactly where you need the drama. This is a lovely gray-green, not too dark and very soft, kind of like moss. Very elegant with white cabinets.

ERICA BROBERG

BENJAMIN MOORE MERLOT RED 2006-10

Red is energizing, invigorating, and this is the perfect red, not too orange and not too blue. It works equally well in sunny or dark rooms and really sets off the cabinets, which we order primed, and then paint on-site with a nice brushed finish.

Red offers a vibrant contrast to clean white cabinets, painted Benjamin Moore's Eggshell 2026-70 in a semigloss finish.



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