

LOS ANGELES



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## **INSPIRING MIND**

CAREN RIDEAU

On the heels of launching her handmade tableware collection with revered Mexican potter Gorky Gonzalez—a line of colorful earthenware dishes-Luxe talks to Pacific Palisadesbased designer, author and vintner Caren Rideau (who co-runs boutique winery Tierra Y Vino in the Santa Ynez Valley) about every foodie's favorite space. kitchendesigngroup.com



## What are the hallmarks of a Caren Rideau-designed kitchen?

They're simple and timeless, but I love incorporating unique cabinet details and custom hoods so that every kitchen feels special.

Share a few favorite resources for decorative elements. Household by Nickey Kehoe for unique table linens and kitchen accessories, Rolling Greens for succulents, and the zellige tile gallery at Waterworks—I'm fond of the textures and colorways of authentic tiles from Morocco.

What are your clients asking for now? We're adding sculleries or back kitchens to a lot of designs, as well as steam ovens for a healthier way of cooking, and juice or wellness bars.

If you had to pick your one must-have kitchen item, it would be... As much as I enjoy cooking and using a lot of different kitchen tools, a wine bottle opener and my molcajete for making fresh salsas and guacamole are a must.

## **OPEN HOUSE**

SELEZIONE INTERIORS

Italian finishings and fabrication firm Selezione Interiors has recently opened in West Hollywood. "As a businessman, I follow my instincts, and I sensed opportunity in Los Angeles," says Paul Chavez, the company's founder. Selezione is known for partnering with architects and designers to build out luxury interiors, from kitchens and bathrooms to closets, screening and paneled walls, as well as for crafting custom furnishings. Just south of Santa Monica Boulevard, the new showroom offers a materials library of some 3,000 samples (among them, woods, marbles, leathers and metals) making it one of the largest resources in the country. selezioneinteriors.com



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