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When the owners of this home in Greenwich, CT, contacted Beth Krupa Interiors, the game plan called for some master bedroom and dining room redecoration. The kitchen didn't figure into the plan; neither did the mudroom. But both got a fabulous makeover that showcases what can be done without total deconstruction and reconstruction.

"When we started looking through some inspiration photos, the clients saw some kitchens that they liked," says Beth. "I suggested some small transformations that could redo the room without having to tear out cabinetry and redo the footprint." This young fam-



ily with preschool-age children used the kitchen as "command central," Beth explains, so it needed to be comfortable, family-oriented and durable to withstand small children.

The first things Beth noticed were the green marble counters not used in homes for 20 years, and the uniquely shaped, oversized kitchen island, which had its merits but was too large for the space. To design a cozy, child-friendly area, Beth and her team fashioned a two-dimensional surface with a stained hickory eating area, which partially surrounds a raised quartz

work surface with a small utility sink.

Creating visual consistency and contrast throughout the kitchen, Beth added a light quartz backsplash—dramatically paired with leathered soft black granite for the perimeter countertops—and replaced some strategic doors, drawers and appliance fronts with hickory panels. Her team sanded and stained the original white oak flooring with a hickory stain that matched the newly added hickory trimmings. The existing cabinets received a pick-me-up with a fresh coat of non-yellowing white latex paint.



The planned restyling of the dining room capitalized on both the outside view of the delightful wrap-around porch and a special family heirloom dining table. The homeowners sought a casual look, but one that also delineated the area from an eat-in kitchen space. The team added easy-clean leather chairs to the table, a dynamic area rug and a coastal touch with light and airy natural grasscloth window coverings.

The mudroom had become a repository of stuff, and its transformation evolved in direct correlation to the home's other changes. The homeowners wanted a useful place to store shoes, athletic equipment and the various sundries of a busy family, so the team built shoe storage, more cabinets and wrap-around bench seating with lift-up lids for additional storage. The beautiful blue paint adds pop to the entry area and provides a beautiful ending point to the home's facelift.

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