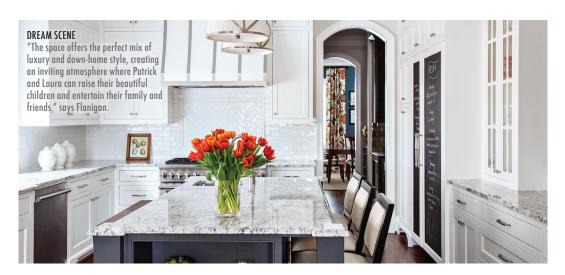


Whether you're seeking creative inspiration from the latest interiors PROJECTS or coveting the newest sleek, high-tech PRODUCTS, you'll find it here in our curated list of luxe KITCHEN AND BATH must-haves. Take a cue from our quoted EXPERTS and elevate your prepping and primping spaces to BOLD new heights.

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## **EASY ELEGANCE**

When Laura and Patrick Schneidau broke ground on their dream home in Houston's Braes Heights neighborhood, they enlisted the help of **Marie Flanigan Interiors** to ensure the design process went smoothly. First up? The kitchen. "Laura loves to cook and entertain, so the Schneidaus needed a space that was elegant and refined, highly functional and, of course, child-friendly," says Marie Flanigan. "When we saw it for the first time, I was wowed," says Laura. "After imagining it for months, it was hard to believe that the gorgeous space had not only been realized but was also ours." The beauty of this custom kitchen—which Flanigan describes as "classic with a touch of whimsy"—is in the details: high-end Thermador appliances, oversize cabinet doors that open to reveal a walk-in pantry, Delta faucets with Touch2O technology, a backsplash of hand-molded subway Mediterra Tile from Materials Marketing, and an impeccable white granite island lit with a stunning three-light pendant from World Imports. As a surprise, Flanigan punched up the chic, mostly neutral palette with a hint of green, Laura's favorite color, in the form of Roman shades and upholstery in custom Duralee and Kravet fabrics, respectively. 2525 Driscoll St., Houston, 979.574.9686, marieflanigan.com





## Form Meets Function

German luxury kitchen-maker **Eggersmann** has launched E3.0, an innovative new generation of kitchen systems that combine practical functionality with sleek aesthetics (think anodized-aluminum drawers that fit perfectly into any modern home). Other customizations include surfaces such as concrete, ash, vintage oak, steel and Grigio Carnico limestone. Average price per kitchen from \$50,000-\$100,000, 5120 Woodway Drive, Houston, 713.877.8088; 1617 Hi Line Drive, Dallas, 214.741.1998, eggersmannusa.com

## What's trending in kitchens and bathrooms?



"There is a clear trend toward warmer finishes [for the bathroom]; unlacquered brass is a new favorite in fittings. Combined with warm gray or white stones, the finish is transformed when left unpolished and allowed to achieve its natural patina. There has also been a growing trend toward more modern fittings. When the edges are softened, the proportion and scale are grounded in good design principles, and the overall aesthetic [is] minimal and reductive, and the end result is a beautiful resolution."

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