



## SWEET SERENITY

The spring-green rug, ornaments and glass splashback tie this large space together and link it with the lovely rural scenery

This new home had a semi-industrial design using metal beams but was set on a rural block. Designer Denise Piper-Smith had to find a way to mould what could have been a stark open space into a cosy living and cooking area that fit the setting. Naturally, the brief also focused on including plenty of clever internal storage solutions in well-organised units. It's not often a designer is asked to site worktops and appliances to suit a tall family, but that's just what Denise had to do.

The space was L-shaped, so an island proved the perfect way to create a natural workflow and encourage the family to socialise between the adjoining room. Denise placed the island to take advantage of the sweeping views while at the same time including a modern touch-screen TV/PC screen for the enjoyment of music, internet

and for Skyping family and friends overseas.

She also had the space to design a scullery separated by the Samsung refrigerator bank.

Her choice of materials was inspired, with the Antique White benchtops perfectly complementing and reflecting the warm ceiling but still working well with the industrial beams intersecting the room. Luckily the client loved colour, which Denise used to great effect with splashes of spring green and bold orange making the large, open space feel warm and welcoming. **KBQ**

### Designer details

This kitchen was designed by Denise Piper-Smith for **Kitchen Link**

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### KEY ATTRIBUTES

- **Doors and panels** High gloss lacquer in Warm Metallic
- **Internal hardware** Blum
- **Handles** Katalog
- **Kickboards** Bronzed Mirror
- **Benchtop** Antique White granite
- **Splashback** DecoGlaze® coloured glass
- **Lighting** LED to underside of granite to wash back panel; fluoro lights in scullery, halogen task lighting

### APPLIANCES

- **Oven** Gaggenau double oven with Bosch warming drawer
- **Cooktop** Miele
- **Rangehood** Powerpack
- **Dishwasher** Two Bosch semi-integrated
- **Refrigerator** Samsung
- **Sink** Custom made
- **Tap** Paini Art Collection
- **Bins** Kitchen King
- **Floor** French Oak
- **Other** Miele built-in flush-fitted coffee machine



**We love** the industrial theme of the benchtop and appliances.

The soft-green glass splashbacks make this busy area feel serene.

**EXPERT TIP**

When the island is a prominent feature of the design, make sure you specify knockout tap hardware.

