

# Rustic Global Spice Kitchen



Primitive and cozy – but with an edge – this Mediterranean-Moroccan influenced kitchen makes a statement and is tied together with a rustic feel. Moroccan styling brings intricately designed woods and mosaic patterns into this kitchen. The Mediterranean styling brings wrought iron and sand-textured walls to add visual depth into this kitchen. Mediterranean-style ranges from simply functional to extremely formal; on the other hand, Moroccan-style ranges from exotic elements to elegantly mysterious fundamentals. The designer used both unique styles and blended them into one ethnically diverse kitchen. The exposed wood beams, tri-color cabinetry, and a mix of metals give this kitchen the details it needs. The designer used warm gray tones in the cabinetry perfectly accenting the ethnic flare.

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## About the Design

There's a certain warmth and charm to an ethnic kitchen with rustic elements. The designer found a great way to tie unlike design styles together by finding elements they have in common and grouping them into one. Complimentary door styles can strengthen the kitchen's overall look, while opposites can produce an attractive transitional design. The cabinetry in this kitchen was created using Wellborn's Estate Series. This kitchen shakes it up with a mix of three door styles; Sandia, and Wellington full overlay, and Modesto Inset. The upper cabinetry above the cooktop is Sandia door style in Oak with the newly launched Shale stain. The lower cabinetry is the Wellington full overlay door style in Maple with the newly launched Saddle stain. The upper cabinetry above the sink is the Modesto Inset door style in Maple with the newly launched Gauntlet stain with Java glaze and Olde World finish technique. The butcher block island features the Wellington full overlay door style in Maple with the newly launched Saddle stain and is completed with shaker legs which tie in the design style.

Featured throughout the entire kitchen is Hafele's Loox lighting program, virtually hidden from view, provides accent lighting right where it is needed. The upper Shale cabinetry has smooth close hinges on the cabinet doors, and the upper Gauntlet cabinetry has concealed smooth close hinges on the cabinet doors, adding higher quality to the cabinets. The lower Saddle cabinetry has soft close drawer slides and quality 5/8" hardwood dovetail joints providing strength and durability.

Care is given to details, especially materials, such as geometric tiles, the use of raw elements, scratched paint, bare metals and natural touches. These are all used to create the perfect conditions for an everyday ethnic atmosphere. Mixing metals has become a massive trend in kitchen design. In this kitchen, the designer combined copper and wrought iron which complements the colors of the cabinetry and adds to the rustic styling. Often design materials are something that's secondary to function, but materials are an integral part of this design and add to the aesthetic.



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## Functionality

Creating a functional kitchen is essential for everyone who cooks at home. It can change the way you feel about your kitchen, not to mention make it a more enjoyable place to be. Creative storage spaces show personality and are a perfect marriage of form and function. The Shale soffit cabinetry conceals the ventilation while the field applied decorative hood contains Brownwood iron straps, tying it into the rest of the kitchen. The left and right cabinets have wooden spice racks installed directly into the door, making it easier for the cook to access spices. The Brownwood floating shelves in the corner of this kitchen are hand-scraped with wrought iron straps; these details tie the rustic style into the design effortlessly.



**Decorative Hood  
with Wrought Iron  
Straps**



**Wooden Spice Rack**



**Brownwood's  
Floating Shelves  
with Wrought Iron  
Straps**

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Ingenious storage solutions fill this kitchen. In the cabinetry to the left of the cooktop; a utensil drawer and a spice rack drawer are strategically placed for the cook and make cooking easier.



**Spice Rack Drawer**



**Utensil Drawer**

On the right side of the cooktop is a super capacity wastebasket cabinet with trash bag storage behind the bin. Smart storage solutions like the blind base cabinet with superior pullout shelves, keep both often-used and rarely used items tucked away but within easy reach.



**Super Capacity Wastebasket Cabinet**



**Blind Base Cabinet with Superior Pullout Shelves**

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On both sides of the sink are base filler pullouts which feature a K-cup organizer and a spice rack inside the decorative legs. Below the sink is a U-shaped sliding shelf, the box fits neatly around plumbing, allowing the use of all under-counter space. The soft close drawer slide ensures smooth, quiet operation every time.



**Base Filler with Spice Rack Pullout**



**Base Filler with K-Cup Pullout**



**U-Shaped Sliding Shelf with Soft Close**

Below the U-shaped sliding shelf is a toe-kick step pullout, created using Wellborn's YouDrawIt program. This pullout opens with the touch of the foot and eliminates the need for step stools.



**Toe Kick Step Pullout—YouDrawIt**

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The drawer on the right side of the sink features a cutting board and knife drawer keeping all the chopping located in one area. Below this drawer is two sliding shelves with soft close slides for storing larger cooking essentials. The butcher block island in the middle of the kitchen acts as a decorative piece while providing additional work space in a small area.



**Cutting Board and Knife Drawer**



**Two Sliding Shelves with Soft Close**

**Butcher's Block Island  
with Shaker Legs**



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The cabinetry above the sink was created to look like a furniture piece in the center of the kitchen. The center cabinet features oil rubbed bronze finished wire mesh with a finished interior and a wall top hinge for the bottom door. Completing the look of this cabinet, a wide bottom rail cove valance was installed to give more design detailing. In the left upper cabinet, a foil and wrap holder is mounted onto the back of the door. In the upper right cabinet, a mail organizer and key holder is installed.



**Decorative Wire Mesh**



**Gauntlet Java Finished Interior and a Wall Top Hinge Door**



**Foil and Wrap Holder**



**Mail Organizer and Key Holder**

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## Quality Is in the Details

Whether it's elegant crown mouldings or ingenious storage solutions when it comes to kitchen cabinets, its all about the details. The designer used valances to give more design detailing. A Wide Bottom Rail Cove valance is installed below the cabinet above the sink, and a Cove valance was mounted below the sink cabinetry. These valances soften the design and are reflected in the Cove moulding.



**Wide Bottom Rail Cove Valance**

The Gauntlet Java cabinetry has two types of crown moulding placed one above another at the top of the cabinets, creating a stacked look with a dramatic, towering effect. A Large Simple Cove Crown moulding is applied on the top of the Decorative Arch moulding creating a heightened look just over the sink to highlight the raised area. On the lower level of stacked moulding it features only Large Simple Cove Crown moulding to break the area apart. A Cove Light Rail moulding was installed to create a soft, subtle and room-enhancing look.



**Large Simple Cove Crown Moulding  
and Decorative Arch Moulding**

**Cove Light Rail Moulding**



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Moulding can bridge the gap between wall cabinets and the ceiling, allowing for a seamless transition. In this kitchen, it caps off the design with one final touch of detail. The Shale cabinetry has a Large Step Cove Crown moulding applied on the top of the Contemporary Fascia moulding for a larger, dramatic effect. A Mission Light Rail moulding was used at the bottom of the cabinetry to conceal the Hafele lighting.



**Large Step Cove Crown Moulding and Contemporary Fascia Moulding**



**Mission Light Rail Moulding**

Ornate, oversized and even plain corbels add traditional elegance to kitchen cabinets. The Wide Abbey Bracket Wrought Iron corbels from Brownwood are installed below the Gauntlet Java cabinets. Integrated matching end panels were applied at the end of the cabinet run.

**Brownwood's Wide Abbey Bracket Wrought Iron Corbel**



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The decorative legs below the sink are square legs with wrought iron sleeves from Brownwood. These decorative legs have simple detailing which is better suited for rustic designs. By applying decorative legs, the cabinetry now has a furniture-style look. This type of detail especially thrives in traditional or Mediterranean spaces.



**Brownwood’s Square Legs with Wrought Iron Sleeves**

Matching end panels were applied to the ends of the Shale and Saddle cabinetry. A matching end panel comes integrated into the cabinet or as a separate piece. The matching end panels continue the cabinetry look all the way around the cabinet unit to match the door faces. The Shale soffit cabinetry traditionally conceals the ventilation while the decorative hood ties it into the rest of the rustic kitchen design.



**Matching End Panel**



**Matching End Panel**



**Soffit Cabinets**