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## INTERIOR DESIGN

Lane Oliver  
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The goal for this kitchen renovation was to create a charming and efficient workspace that was appropriate for the 1908 Dutch Colonial-style home. The main challenge for homeowner and interior designer Lane Oliver and her husband Brian was that they, and their nine-month-old twins, were moving into the home within one month of the renovation. The timeframe required as little construction as possible.

## 5 THINGS TO LOVE

- 1 Oliver gave new life to the cabinets in this once-drab space with paint and added sparkle with green glass knobs. Glass knobs: Grandpa Snazzy's Hardware, (303) 778-6508.
- 2 Removing the heavy soffits and adding bead board and shelving gave height to the room while providing an out-of-reach area to display colorful and fragile accessories.
- 3 The worn and cracked maple floor could not be stained to match the surrounding oak floors, so Oliver opted to paint it a crisp green. This powerful punch transformed the whole space.
- 4 A narrow cabinet was built to add storage and work as a pantry. Chicken wire and fabric add delightful texture to the cabinet and warmth to the room.
- 5 Placing the stainless steel-topped island in the middle of the kitchen provided much-needed counter space. Adding delicate bar stools gave friends a place to settle, without overwhelming the room. Island: The Great Indoors, (720) 566-1000, [thegreatindoors.com](http://thegreatindoors.com). Bar stools: Pier 1 Imports, (303) 300-1529, [pier1.com](http://pier1.com). ▶

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