

Interior Design Lesson 2014

Keeping Your Kitchen Organized

It is the room that most children will do their homework in, families gather to reminisce, parents pay bills in, the family pet may get fed, and family meals get cooked in. Yep you guessed it the kitchen, sometimes referred to as the heart of the household. With all these things, and many more, going on in the kitchen sometimes it is difficult to keep things organized.

Within this lesson you will find 10 easy and practical ideas to help keep your kitchen organized. Have a idea of your own that is not listed share with the group and have others share their tips in keeping this busy room organized.

Idea # 1: Grouping Objects that are similar together.

Objects that have a similar purpose, group together and designate a cabinet for those objects. For example keeping bake ware in a central location, this can include measuring cups, spoons, cookie sheets, casserole dishes, etc. Or another example keeping aluminum foil, baggies, plastic wrap, etc., in one specific drawer or cabinet.

Source and Picture: <http://www.realsimple.com/home-organizing/organizing/kitchen/smart-ideas-kitchen-0000000013845/page6.html>





Idea # 2: Keep open shelves uncluttered.

Using baskets to store items in open shelves will help to keep the shelves from looking to cluttered.

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Idea # 3: Keep your food categorize.

It will be easier to find food if you where to organize like a library, group the food items by category.

Idea # 4: Store snacks in see through containers.

Make it easier for children by storing their snacks in see through wired baskets for an easy grab and go.

Idea #5: Over-the-Door Storage.

Those see through over-the-door shoe storage organizers are not only good for shoes but also to help keep you kitchen clutter free. It will also cut down on search time of items in the pantry.

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Idea # 6: Install a book stand.

Consider installing a retractable book stand under your top cabinets, to help keep your recipe book at eye level while cooking and then folds back when you are done.

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Idea # 7: Peg boards are not only for garage storage.

Install a peg boards to hang utensils, pot holders, dish towels, pots, etc. You can also cut a piece to fit the inside of your drawers to create spaces to store other items such as plates, skillets, pots, etc.

Picture: <http://www.bystephanielynn.com/2012/04/30-diy-storage-solutions-to-keep-the-kitchen-organized-saturday-inspiration-ideas.html>



Idea # 8: Wire Closet Racks

Install wire closet racks in your cabinets or pantry to keep canned goods organized and for easy reach.

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Idea # 9: Tension Rod.

Use a tension rod under the sink to hang spray bottles of your cleaning solutions to create more storage space. You can also use a small tension rod in a drawer to help keep lids in place for pots and pans.

Picture: www.thechalkboardmag.com



Idea # 10: Lazy Susan

A Lazy Susan can be used to keep your spice cabinet organized and clutter free.

Picture: www.retrorenovation.com



Don't forget to share your kitchen organizing ideas!!

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