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When interior designer Karen Bow first began thinking about remodeling the kitchen in her Darien, CT, home, she felt immediately inspired by the trees surrounding her home and her proclivity toward the bright color fuschia. She also wanted to infuse her kitchen with the aesthetic she'd already established throughout the rest of her home. What eventually resulted is a whimsical

kitchen filled with natural light, wood cabinets with high-gloss lacquer, Caesar-Stone counters and stainless steel undermount sinks. The idea was to incorporate clean lines throughout, blend modern and traditional elements — from the custom light fixtures to the cabinet hardware — and hide as many appliances as possible with ample storage space. “What makes this

kitchen unique is the use of standard kitchen elements in a unconventional way,” says Bow. Because the family entertains a good deal, the Deane team worked with Bow to incorporate elements that would welcome a house full of guests: refrigerator doors in close proximity to the pool area, a wet bar and an additional stainless sink that could easily double as a cooler when filled with ice.

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