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Modern Farmhouse Kitchens are a versatile style that can look as stylish as the most contemporary of designs, blending well with more modern details and materials for a fully sleek, modern-yet-classic feel that works in a wide variety of homes.





WHAT EXACTLY IS FARMHOUSE KITCHEN STYLE? (1/2)

- The [origin of Farmhouse](#) Kitchen Style is easy to trace.
 - They are usually referring to homes based on the country homes that dotted the rural American landscape in the 19th century and into the early 20th century, particularly across the South, Midwest, and parts of New England.
 - Their furthest roots trace back to traditional Scandinavian and German farmhouses.
 - The style was relatively plain and rustic, but the small size and layout of the home resulted in a cozy, comforting living space.
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WHAT EXACTLY IS FARMHOUSE KITCHEN STYLE? (2/2)

- Today, farmhouse style kitchens can be found in all these style homes, each with their own unique appeal that retains the pastoral, comforting feel farmhouses are known for.
 - Contemporary farmhouse kitchens tend to combine the classic elements of the traditional design with the clean lines and minimalist aesthetic that modern homes are known for.
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A photograph of a bright, modern farmhouse kitchen. The kitchen features white shaker-style cabinets, a large white island with a wooden countertop, and a built-in oven. In the foreground, a rustic wooden dining table is partially visible. Large windows with white shutters are on the right side, letting in natural light. The overall aesthetic is clean and inviting, blending modern and traditional elements.

HOW TO CREATE A CLASSIC FARMHOUSE KITCHEN

THE ELEMENTS YOU'LL NEED:



THE BASICS: START SIMPLE

Classic farmhouse style is all about simplicity. This doesn't have to mean sacrificing details or even decoration but does mean you can pair the classic elegance of a farmhouse kitchen with the sleek minimalism of modern kitchen designs. Avoid clutter and let the design do the talking.

USE NEUTRAL COLORS

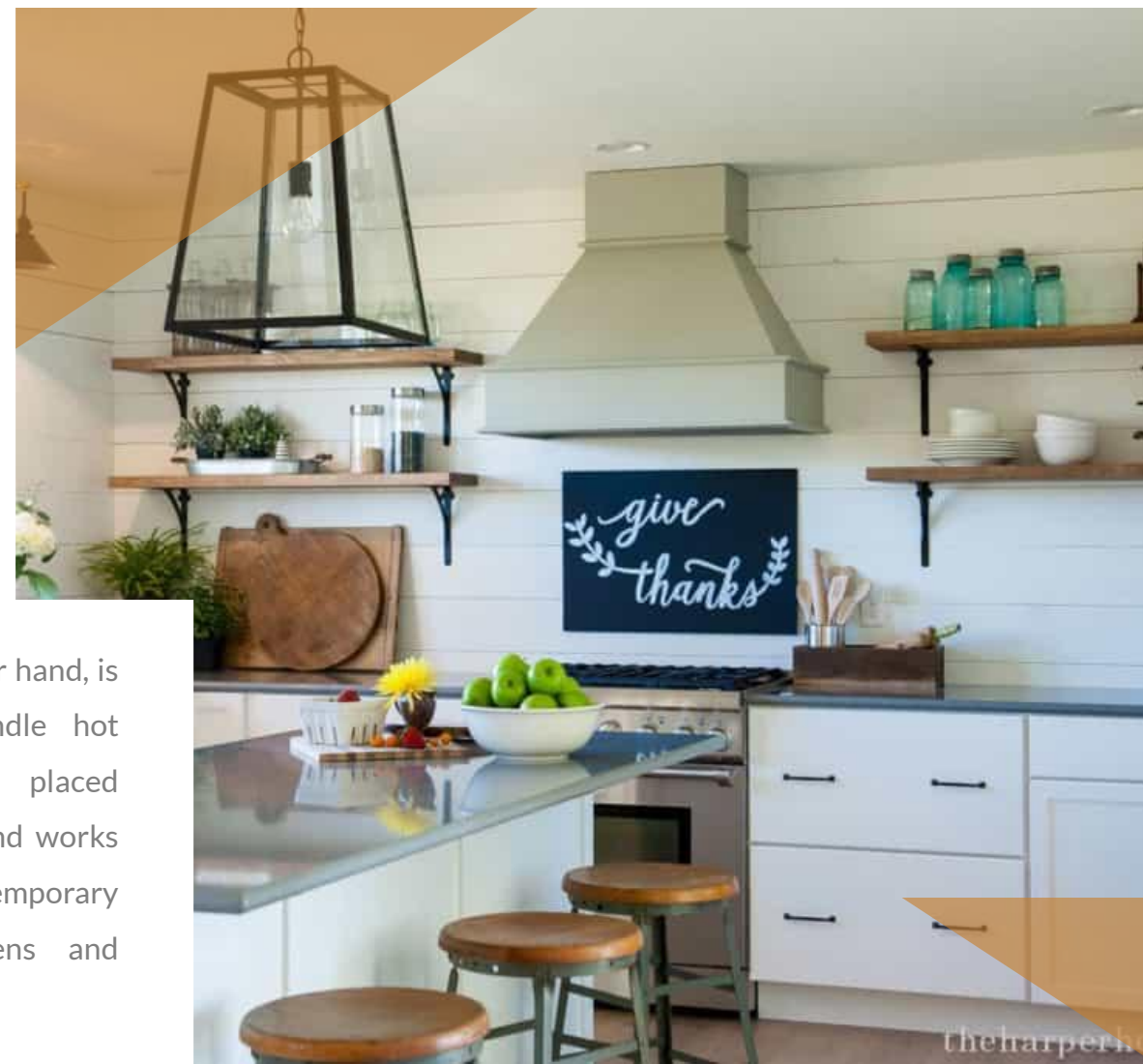
As traditional farmhouse kitchens were designed to be as easy and simple to decorate and maintain as possible, they almost always use a neutral color palette – usually white, cream, beige, paired with darker rustic tones. These neutral colors are paired with darker accents, such as hardwood flooring – an absolute must for a farmhouse style kitchen.



WOOD OR STONE COUNTERTOPS

Modern Farmhouse kitchens can have either wood or stone countertops – marble, granite or soapstone – usually in a dark color that contrasts the neutral white or grey. Dark wood adds to the old-fashioned, rustic feel, and will look better with a more vintage vibe.

Stone, on the other hand, is durable, can handle hot pots and pans placed directly onto it, and works with both contemporary farmhouse kitchens and traditional ones.





ADDING SOME CHARACTER

ADD AN ISLAND OR LARGE WOODEN TABLE

Modern farmhouse style kitchens traditionally had islands for cooking and eating on, and that hasn't changed; almost all farmhouse kitchens have an island. They'll usually complement the countertops and neutral color palette and are a great place to place stools – wood or upholstered – for quick place to eat or hang out in the kitchen.



FARMHOUSE SINK APRONS

While not found in every kitchen, farmhouse sinks often have aprons – a large sink with an exposed front that juts out from the counter. Traditionally, this design let the sinks be easily replaced if they were to leak, but today, they help lending the house distinctive country flair. Copper sinks look especially classic!

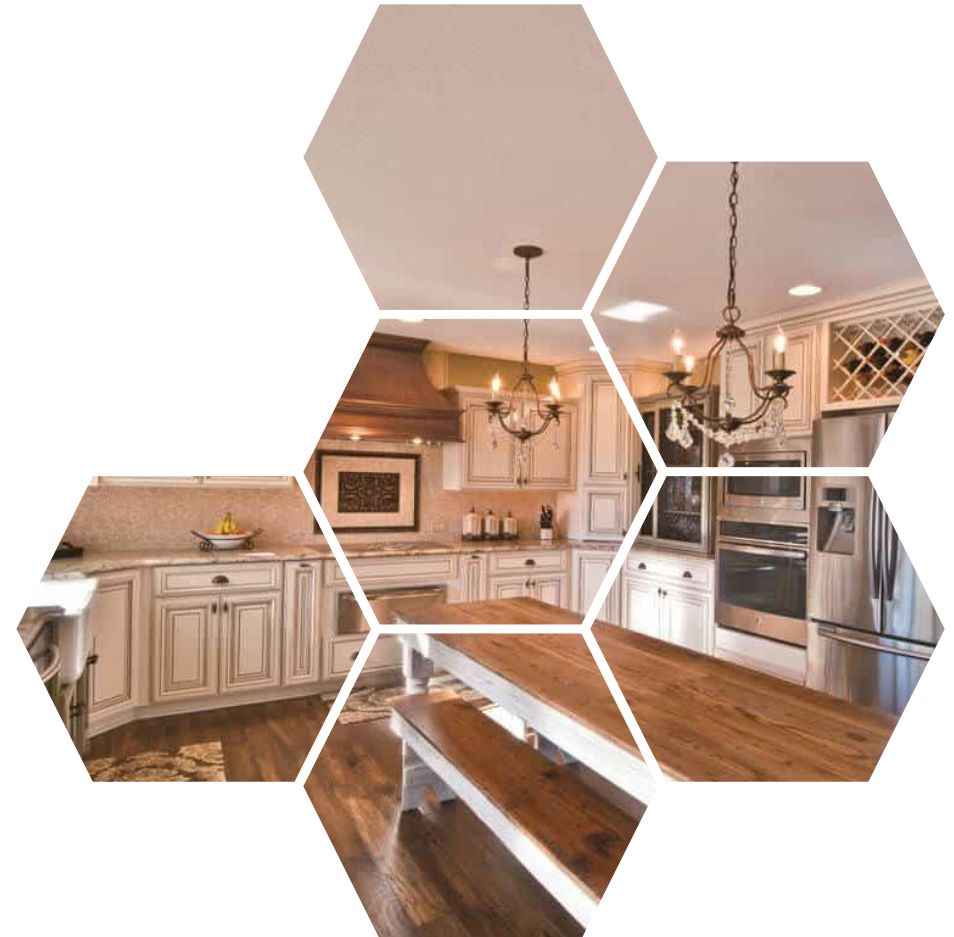


SHIPLAP AND BEADBOARD

Nothing says farmhouse style like shiplap or beadboard paneling. These wooden panelings add an unmistakably old-fashioned, timeless flair to your kitchen (and anywhere else in the house), especially when painted white or a light pastel color.

HARDWOOD FLOORING

A farmhouse kitchen will have hardwood flooring. Distressed or reclaimed wood, especially wooden barn planking, can add some character to an already rustic room. New hardwood is usually stained dark to contrast with the kitchen's neutral color palette.



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FRENCH COUNTRY FARMHOUSE KITCHEN

- French Country Farmhouse kitchens in the classic provincial style have the same simple, warm look as a classic farmhouse kitchen, but with decorative elements that make them their own.
 - They are open and airy, with lots of natural light, and often plenty of wood, stone or brick, complementing the earthy, pastel tones.
 - Exposed wooden ceiling beams are a huge part of the look.
 - Cabinets usually have crown molding, which adds sophisticated and traditional detailing.
 - Upholstery and fabric can also be a big part of the French kitchen, and they traditionally make large use of floral fabrics.
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TUSCAN FARMHOUSE KITCHEN

- Tuscan Farmhouse Kitchens aren't as popular here as the traditional white American farmhouse or French styles.
- Their tones are often much darker, with wood, stone terracotta and burnt orange, which reflect the natural hues of the Tuscan landscape: rolling green hills, vineyards and brown, sun-scorched grass.
- Tuscan kitchens have floors of tile, terracotta or even marble.
- Use of aged or distressed metals, such as copper or brass, for elements like the hood over the stove or the pots and pans.
- For countertops, matte granite, marble or other stone look pretty good.
- Large stone hearths and brick ovens add warmth and a welcoming feel.





COASTAL FARMHOUSES

Coastal Farmhouses, often found in Cape Cod Cottage styles, are actually meant to remind one of the sea more than the country. Clean, bright, airy rooms with large windows, they're painted in cream or white colors accented with seam foam and blue reflecting the color of the sea. Driftwood elements add a natural feel, as do sea glass, wood paneling (especially shiplap!), and brass hardware reminiscent of ships.

SCANDINAVIAN FARMHOUSE KITCHENS

If you're a fan of sleek minimalism, you'll love Scandinavian Farmhouse style. It combines the bright, open room and clean lines of a [Scandinavian kitchen](https://www.huntskitchendesigns.com), with its light wood flooring, with some rustic elements, such as dark, wooden antique furniture and open wooden shelves.

BEST CABINETS FOR FARMHOUSE KITCHEN DECOR



BEADBOARD CABINETS

Beadboard cabinets, with their evenly spaced, interlocking grooves and tongues, give the kitchen a cozy, casual look that feels like home. Paint them white for the perfect farmhouse, homestyle look.

SHAKER CABINETS

Shaker cabinets, with their recessed doors and minimal hardware, are classic Farmhouse Kitchen. Their look that is traditional while elegantly sleek, with clean lines and corners. They look especially good in Colonial or Cape Cod style cottages, too.



RECLAIMED WOOD

Another option for a more modern farmhouse vibe is to go with reclaimed wood, which can be stained dark, or in various shades, or painted in a light, earthy pastel color. The varied shades of wood add some unique personality to the kitchen and give it a more lived-in feel.



OPEN-FACE GLASS CABINET DOORS

[Traditional farmhouse kitchens](#), especially in French or Victorian country styles, look fantastic with glass display cabinets, which allow you to show off your traditional dishes and vintage accouterments, and add a decorative touch. They can also give the kitchen a clean, modern look when paired with simpler lower cabinets and clean lines.



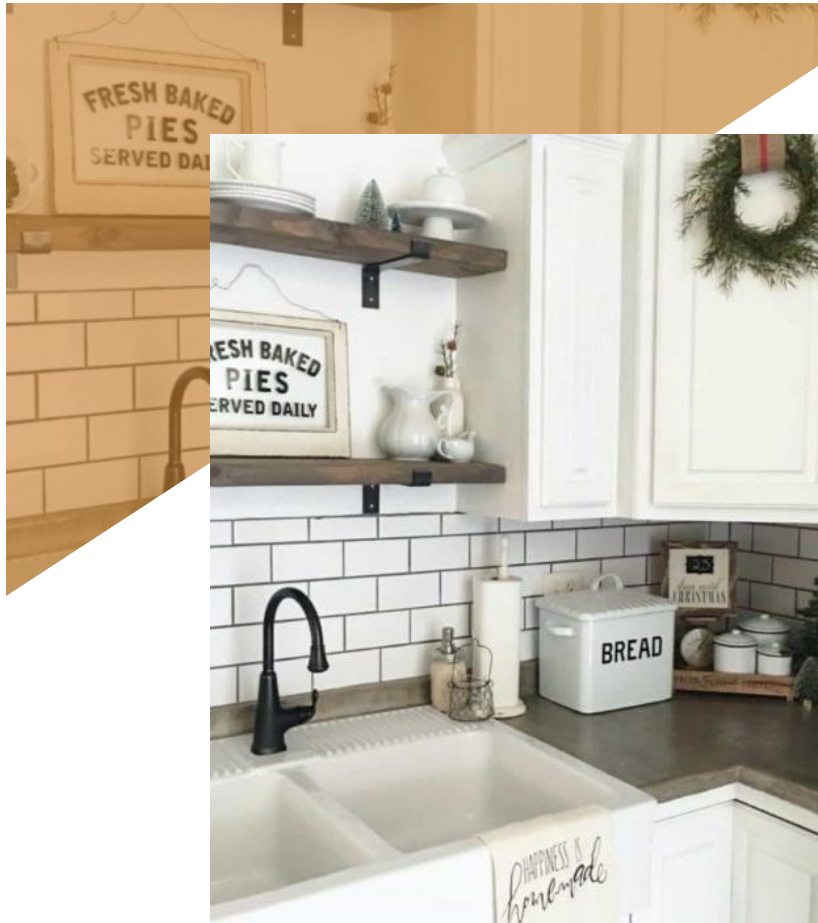
IDEAS TO MAKE A FARMHOUSE STYLE KITCHEN YOUR OWN



USE REPURPOSED ITEMS

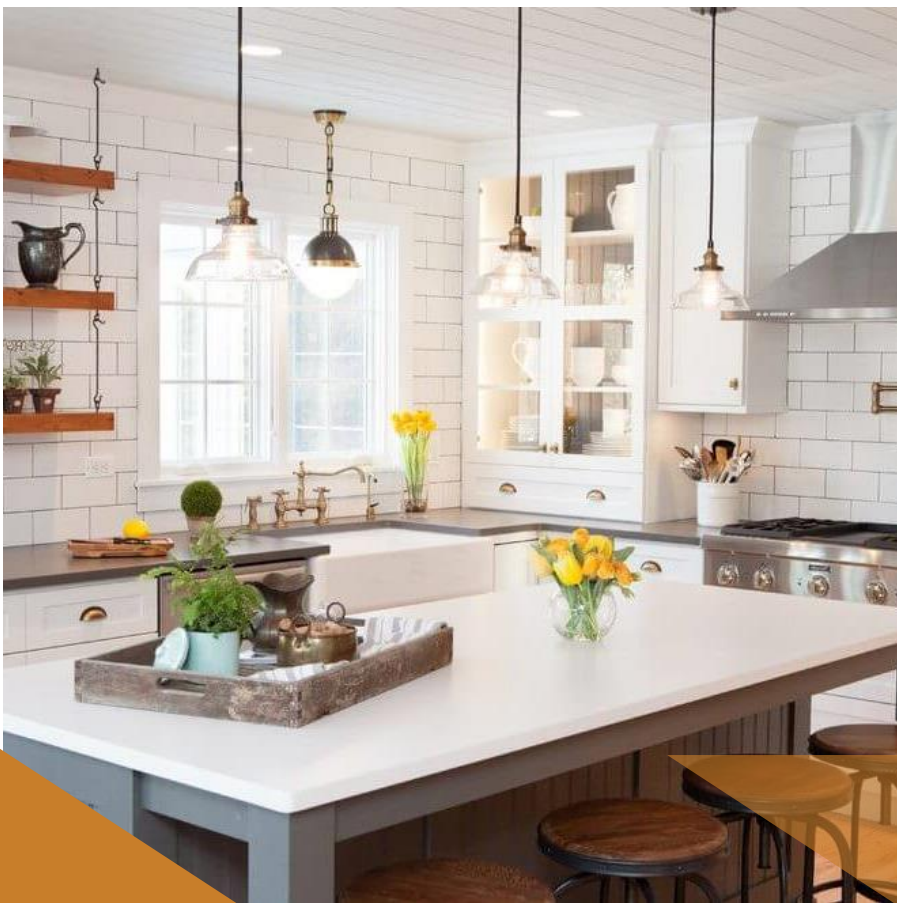
- Finding old, vintage items that can be repurposed to decorate your kitchen is an excellent way to add some personality and flair to your kitchen.
- Things like old buckets to store items in, old industrial stools with custom fabric seat covers.
- Decorate the countertop with Mason Jars and other glass jars, which let you store kitchen staples like sugar, flour and fruit or canned goods, in a vintage country kind of way.





BACKSPLASH

Adding some backsplash behind your counters gives additional character to the room, helping it pop, while also serving a useful purpose. Beadboard or shiplap work especially well, while brick or hearth can add to a rustic feel – for example, in a rustic style kitchen.



HOW ABOUT OPEN SHELVING?

Open shelving made from reclaimed is also very popular in simple farmhouse kitchens. They look vintage and let you display your items, while also being simple and clean enough for a minimalist appeal.

DON'T FORGET THE HOOD

The range hood is an oft-forgotten piece of the kitchen but is a great way to add some distinctive personality to your farmhouse kitchens. Wood planking is easy (and inexpensive) to use, and adds to a simple, rustic feel, pairing well with white or darker wood decors. In a Tuscan kitchen, you can also make use of an ornate, distressed copper hood, or even decorative stone.



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