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the plan

A redesign was required to maximise storage and functionality in this small kitchen. A partial dividing wall was removed, the floor tiles replaced with timber (throughout the ground floor) and new cabinetry installed.



the detail

Raw or living-brass handles and tapware are designed to develop a patina with age. Here, they will add character to the otherwise streamlined space, as will the more forgiving engineered-stone benchtops.

I **FRESH AIR**
Brighter colours with new cabinetry and warmer materials have given this Sydney kitchen by Vellum Interiors a getaway feel

the palette

Light, bright and sophisticated, the colour palette of this kitchen reflects the owners' desire for a holiday-at-home experience. "The clients had recently returned from a trip to Byron Bay and wanted to bring that luxe-barefoot feel into their own home," says Alexandra Gourlay-Craig, owner and head designer at Vellum Interiors. "I chose a pared-back palette to tie in with these intentions, and a blue-green colour to reflect the nearby harbour and [views of the] greenery that come through the window." Crisp whites and brass accents complete the look.

the materials

To add warmth to the scheme, Alexandra chose engineered timber flooring, a stone benchtop and a mirrored splashback to reflect light into the space. "I selected a stone with both warm and cool veining, so it would work harmoniously with the warmth in the floorboards and brass tapware," she says. "Brass was used in small doses, so it's really like the cherry on top – your eye is drawn to the small highlights of it." All the materials, from timber and stone to the mirrored splashback and tapware, were chosen for their low-maintenance nature and durability. *Vellum Interiors is at velluminteriors.com.au or [@vellum_interiors](https://www.instagram.com/vellum_interiors). The building work was by JWC at jimwilsonconstructions.com*

the execution

In place of a full-size pantry, the cabinetry was extended to the ceiling and drawers placed in some upper cupboards. Integrating the fridge/freezer and dishwasher meant neither could dominate the small space.

“Space and storage planning were key considerations in this tiny kitchen”

ALEXANDRA GOURLAY-CRAIG



GET THE LOOK



1 Statuario Dior engineered quartz **surface**, POA, Smartstone. **2** Scala Mini Twin **sink mixer** with curved spout in Living Tumbled Brass, from \$637.73, Sussex Taps. **3** Foggia 'Figurine' **dining chair** in Lacquered Oak, \$1441, Fred International. **4** *Sunset* painting on hardwood **artwork**, \$250, Rosy Lloyd. **5** Dulux Wash&Wear acrylic interior **paint** in Classic Calm, \$97.10 per 4L, Bunnings. **6** Urban Living engineered timber **flooring** in Hawthorn Rustic, \$100.15 per sq m, Hawwoods.