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## Urban Minimalist Kitchen

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"The kitchen is a theater where the cook is the star," says Clodagh, who designed this modern New York City loft. In this open kitchen, the cook is always on view, but a low concrete wall a few inches higher than the counters hides mess and functions as a backsplash behind the cooktop. A concrete bench juts out from the wall to provide seating for the custom oak dining table (\$7,000 from Clodagh Design; 212-780-5300); custom oak seats line the other side (\$1,300 each from Clodagh Design). Translucent textured-polycarbonate windows (from Knoll; 800-343-5665) veil the contents of the Australian lacewood custom cabinets and reflect light, which balances the darkness of the merbau floors (Clodagh loves merbau for its unusual coarse texture).

### 1 Lighting

Peter O'Kennedy, Clodagh's son, made the three brushed stainless steel and Plexiglas lanterns hanging above the dining area.

**DETAILS** From \$475 at Clodagh Design; 212-780-5300.

### 2 Refrigerator

The custom lacewood paneling on the **Sub-Zero** "650 Over-Under" fridge matches the cabinets.

**DETAILS** From \$4,600; 800-222-7820.



### 3 Cooktop and oven

The **Gaggenau** "KG291" five-burner cooktop comes with a wok burner. A 27-inch "Series 900" **Gaggenau** wall oven (not shown) is around the corner from the fridge. **DETAILS** \$1,200 for cooktop, \$4,200 for oven; 800-828-9165.

### 4 Counters

Clodagh likes using concrete for countertops because it can be poured with few seams for a streamlined look.

### 5 Bar stools

The **Burning Relic** stools have leather seats and hand-forged steel legs. **DETAILS** \$1,200 each; 718-625-5880.

### 6 Faucet

The **Grohe** "Ladylux Café" faucet has a pullout sprayer. **DETAILS** \$680; 800-201-3407.

### 7 Sink

Clodagh added a towel bar to the **Kohler** "Poise" sink. **DETAILS** From \$1,500; 800-4-KOHLER.

### 8 Dishwasher

The lacewood-paneled **Bosch** "Integra Design" dishwasher is superquiet. **DETAILS** From \$830; 800-944-2904.

### 9 Pulls

The **Amari** "874A/BZ" bin pulls are a zinc alloy. **DETAILS** \$10 each; 877-652-6274.



## insider's tip

Inspired by pullout garbage drawers, Clodagh (above) designed a similar system for storing dog food. The drawer includes two basins protected by lacewood lids. Clodagh also designed the concrete "Chow Chow" dog bowl with a stainless steel insert (\$350).