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Feast of colour

1 In the conversion of a warehouse space, architect Anthony Gionfriddo used colour to define the kitchen within the open-plan living and dining area. A yellow laminate splashback (Giallo Paglierino from Abet Inc, about \$69/m²) and a Dulux Skyrocket Red bulkhead (with recessed lights) add spice to the neutral tones of the Laminex Lamiwood cabinetry in Parchment (about \$84/m² fabricated) and polished timber floor. The owners added stainless-steel drawer handles specially imported from Italy as a final streamlining touch. All up, the kitchen cost just under \$20,000, excluding appliances. Anthony Gionfriddo Architect, North Melbourne, Victoria; (03) 9329 3910.

In the mod

2 Sydney architect Rob Burton overcame the physical limitations of a compact open-plan space to create a walk-through kitchen for the narrow single-fronted terrace house he shares with his wife and two young sons. Working to a tight budget, he opted for an IKEA carcass, which he customised to fit the space. Solid European elm Glulam from Dale-Glass Industries was selected for the benchtop and splashback, and is complemented by the similar look of the oak-topped dining table from IKEA. To streamline the space, the cabinets, featuring vinyl-wrap doors with stainless-steel handles, were extended right to the ceiling. All for just \$17,000, minus appliances.



'Laminates are often overlooked for kitchen surfaces, but they are practical, cost-effective and – unlike stone – they give you the option of playing with colour.' ANTHONY GIONFRIDDO ARCHITECT



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