



1 The Henley kitchen from **Neptune**, built from solid oak chosen for its inherent strength and beautiful character ensures these cabinets are built to last a lifetime. Protected to give a timeless look, the Henley kitchen will look crisp and timeless year after year. Pictured here with Suffolk oak bar stools also available from Neptune.
5 Rational high-gloss cappuccino kitchen by Robinson interiors. **3** Solid wood painted and walnut design by **Creative Wood Kitchens**.



C&R Interiors

Kitchens & Bedrooms



C&R Interiors
Kitchens & Bedrooms

56 Balloo Drive
Bangor

T 028 9146 0033
E sales@candrinteriors.co.uk
W www.candrinteriors.co.uk



KITCHEN CATWALK



1 Red by Alfred Briggs have released their new Avola range pictured here in champagne. The design opportunities this range has make it ideal to create the feel of open space within the room in a very modern manner. **2** Stunning kitchen featured by **Beechview Interiors**. This handpainted Neptune in-frame kitchen features a bespoke mantle, windowseat and breakfast bar area.



The Perfect Transformation

Caitlin, her husband David and their children had decided to extend their home in Kildare. So it was a case of out with the old oak design and in with the new, fresh and supremely designed hand crafted kitchen from Neptune which they sourced from La Touche Furnishings.





‘Our previous kitchen was a much smaller,’ says Caitlin, ‘and it was becoming very crowded as we now have four children. It was an oak design which I had painted and there was no island so it was really time for a big change as it was becoming very cluttered. We wanted to change the way we used the kitchen and the house itself, to build the extension and to make the kitchen and living space bigger. So we looked around for new styles.’ Caitlin’s research brought her to La Touche where she discovered the Neptune range. ‘I found La Touche really helpful when I rang them initially and they were really great at putting ideas together and showing how things could be done. I loved the look and shape of the range as soon as I saw it. I had an idea of where in the room I wanted everything to go and what I needed, but the main things I wanted were a main larder and an island unit and they

came up with the different designs for us to work from. He came back with some great ideas and we only had to change a few minor things.’

As this was an extension project, all structural changes were made in conjunction with the kitchen plan and the new, large area created gave designer Patrick plenty of flexibility in designing the new space from scratch. For example the beautiful island unit has been such a success in terms of its use as a new worksurface and with its intelligent storage systems. Patrick came up with a few different options for this which enabled them to whittle down the best option for the family. ‘All our food from fresh to dried to tinned and fridge are all in there as a one stop shop. It’s so handy to know everything is one place which really helps and it’s very efficient in terms of how we use the kitchen. Then all our big pans are fitted neatly in the island as is a super wine rack.’



The family opted for an AGA and the integrated fridge-freezer is Siemens with the oven and dishwasher being existing appliances they had in their previous kitchen. The flooring and marble worktop were supplied by Stone Warehouse which is actually just next door to La Touche so was extremely handy for them to work in conjunction with Patrick. Caitlin sourced the lighting above the island herself from an antiques shop. For the sumptuous island oak top, this was sourced by David from a local antique salvage yard and works wonderfully in this space together with the other tones and textures. The plate rack was made bespoke by La Touche.

The biggest challenge for Patrick was to maximise the new space without overloading the kitchen as Caitlin and David very much wanted a fuss free design but he supplied them with a CAD plan and a 2D image of the design which helped to show the finished article and to ensure the whole process went as smoothly as possible. Testament to how smoothly it went is in Caitlin's satisfaction with what has been achieved here. It has not only transformed their old oak kitchen into something timeless, enduring, practical and spacious but it has completely changed the way they use the entire space. 'There's so much space now and no clutter anywhere. We still have a kitchen dining room but we have an informal space now which is great. My favourite feature of the kitchen is the island for sure. The whole experience with La Touche was really easy and very straightforward. It was a matter of letting them know what we wanted and they came up with great designs and were so helpful.' ✂



Kitchen Contacts

KITCHEN DESIGN

Neptune Classics by La Touche Furnishings

Co. Kildare 045 482619.

www.latouche.ie

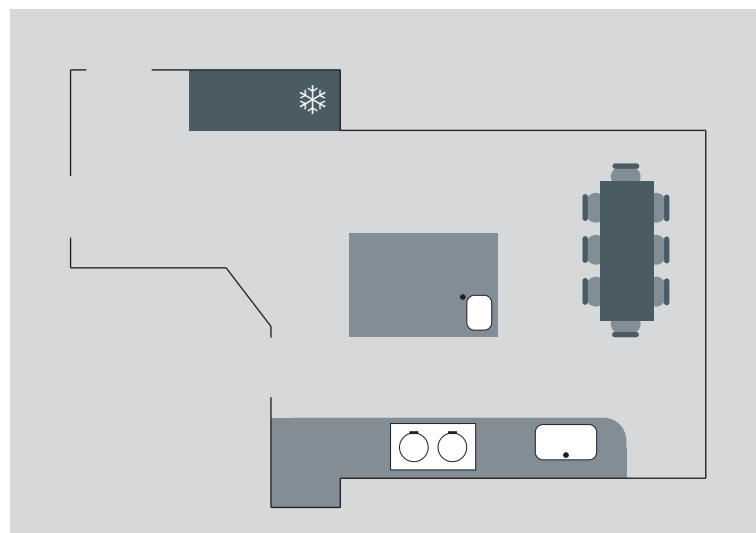
Worktop: Marble, Stone Warehouse.

Flooring: Limestone, Stone Warehouse.

APPLIANCES

Range Cooker: AGA

Fridge-Freezer: Siemens



ESSENTIAL STORAGE



1 The Suffolk 6ft glazed dresser and Suffolk 4ft wine rack from **Neptune**. Hand painted in a two tone finish with dove grey interiors and honed slate exteriors for a beautiful contrast. The raised dresser top allows for the full beauty of the oak work top to be on view as well as proving a niche for the Suffolk peg system to be incorporated. It provides lit storage as well as a perfect hanging place for your cups and keys. £2,495/€3,150. The Suffolk wine rack has four shelves allowing 28 bottles to be stored. £850/€1,095.



2 A wide range of corner unit solutions including Le Mans Corner Units, Magic Corner Units and Carousels can be used to maximize space utilization and convenience from **Andrew Ryan Furniture**. **3** Ella's Kitchen Cabinet™ from **Ella's Kitchen Company**. Wall hung or free standing, with metal pouring scoops and glass bottles with aluminium half turn lids, it creates perfect storage for baking and all your dry kitchen ingredients and spices. Dimensions: W 770mm x H 500mm x D 250mm. Many colours available. From £462/€542. **4** These Invito custom made panels by **Blum** will bring an element of colour to your kitchen.

For stockists see page 188.



For stockists see page 188.

6 Raffles Chair from **Joseph Lyons Interiors**. Also available in weather beaten oak. W520xD500xH880mm. €395. **7** New calverston upholstered dining chairs from **Neptune** are built with a solid frame and are fully upholstered with a sprung seat for the utmost in dining comfort. Aqua grey upholstery and seasoned oak legs will complement any of Neptune's dining tables. £195/€250. **8** Rollo barstool from **Pavilion Rattan**. An extremely durable synthetic summer grass weave on a powder coated steel frame. £185/€220. **9** Wealden oak dining chair from **CPW Furniture**. £125/€159. **10** A wonderfully stylish barstool with a rotating seat featuring a fluted back upholstery and solid mahogany legs which have been hand-carved by **Christopher Guy's** team of master craftsmen. Price on request.