

### HIDE APPLIANCES

'Large appliances take up a lot of room, so choosing those that do more than one job and integrating them behind doors is a good way to streamline your space,' says Billy Heyman, managing director at BTL Property. This sleek design from Cue & Co of London's Ladbroke range is finished in Cornforth White by Farrow & Ball. Complete kitchens cost from £35,000.



### COVER A WALL WITH SHELVING

Putting everything you use regularly on open shelves is highly practical – and, if you choose attractive storage jars and utensils, it will add character to your space, too. This Elfa kitchen storage modular shelving is ideal for storing utensils, crockery, tins and condiments in your kitchen or, if you have space, your pantry. It comes with a selection of utensil hooks and storage boxes, alongside plenty of shelving that can be fitted at heights to suit your needs. The minimum space required is H160xW125xD30cm, but you can specify different sizes to suit your kitchen. Shown here in a white finish, the shelving is also available in platinum, and costs £230 at A Place for Everything.



### INVEST IN A STANDALONE BAKING STATION

Caught the *Bake Off* bug? Then create a separate store for everything you need to make treats in this freestanding larder unit. The double New Hampshire larder has two drawers with a work surface for appliances, two shelves and door baskets. It comes painted or unpainted with a choice of handles, priced from £595 for an unpainted unit at The Dormy House.

### SORT OUT THE RECYCLING

Instead of taking up floor space with a recycling bin, tuck it neatly away in this waste-sorting drawer compartment from Ikea. The Variera/Utrusta bin system, £38, includes four sections – for paper and bottles, batteries and two for food waste – in a deep, W60cm drawer.



### CREATE AN INTEGRATED LARDER

If you haven't got room for a separate pantry, maximise the space inside your cupboards with a Vauth-Sagel VSA swing-out larder with Primea baskets. It costs £399 and fits a W40cm cabinet, while the Vauth-Sagel FlexCorner with Primea baskets, £350, fits a W90cm corner cabinet with a W45cm door, both Häfele. ▶





## KEEP YOUR DRAWER INTERIORS ORGANISED

'Drawers are much more accessible than base cabinets, but it really pays to work out carefully how each one will be used at the planning stage – and get the drawers divided with interior fittings,' says interior designer Nicola Steer. 'Drawer organisers can also be bought separately and fitted retrospectively – ask your kitchen manufacturer or try a DIY shed.' Pronorm's ProTech drawer comes in titanium or oak finishes and is available in all four of its ranges, from £13,000 for a Y-Line kitchen.

## BE CREATIVE WITH UNUSED SPACE

'Make the most of nooks that aren't normally used, such as the space above an extractor hood,' says Nicola Steer. 'It can be used for anything, from bottles to kitchen rolls.' This design, from Cue & Co of London's Ladbroke range, is painted in French Gray Estate eggshell by Farrow & Ball. Complete kitchens start from £35,000.



## CHOOSE A SUPER-COMPACT DESIGN

If your kitchen is small, Rational's standalone, compact Vision kitchen is the perfect solution. It measures H218xW183.5xD76cm and includes: storage shelves; deep pan drawers; a sink unit; hob; extractor fan; microwave; dishwasher; fridge; and a pull-out breakfast bar. It is available in all of Rational's finishes (except glass), priced from £3,000, excluding appliances.

## CLEAR AWAY CLUTTER WITH A HANGING RAIL

Want a bespoke storage solution without the price tag to match? Ikea's Rimforsa series is affordable and customisable. Start with the L60cm rail, £6, then add (from left): hooks, £2 for four; holder with jars, £17; herb containers, £8 for four; container holder, £8; basket, £13; knife rack, £15; and chopping board, £12. ►



## BATHROOMS



HIDDEN STORAGE

**INCLUDE A DRAWER NEXT TO THE BATH**

'The area behind the bath is often a wasted storage opportunity,' says interior designer Nicola Steer. 'Instead of having a simple flush shelf at the end of your bath, why not have a raised

shelf with a drawer beneath? That way, you can hide away soaps, razors and other items.' This discreet drawer was designed by Cue & Co of London, where prices for bathrooms start at £10,000.

**TURN STORAGE INTO ART**

If you can't decide between storage and wall art, why not combine both with a well-chosen shelving unit? This small round metal wall shelf is compact enough to hang where a picture would and stylish enough to turn a plain space into one with industrial appeal. Fill it with your favourite bathroom bottles, display cut-glass canisters, stash away flannels and towels, and even show off a pretty pot plant. Dia.60xD16cm, it costs £105 from Vincent & Barn.

**USE WALLS WISELY**

Wall-hung units not only make a bathroom feel bigger, they are also very space efficient, especially if used beneath the basin and above countertop level to cater for all your storage needs. Bauhaus' Glide II unit in American walnut, including two soft-close drawers, measures H52xW70xD45cm and costs £794. The matching tower unit has two soft-close doors, a cupboard with three shelves and a pull-down door with laundry basket; it measures H160xW35xD35cm and costs £659.

**FIT A RADIATOR WITH SHELVES**

Wondering how you're going to fit both a radiator and shelving into your bathroom? This copper-finished Joints design does both, because it comes with integral shelving that can be used for display and storage. As a complete unit, it costs £1,947 from The Radiator Centre.

