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## Home | Small space



**LEFT** A farmhouse sink, simple white tile backsplash, and cabinet-like island bring vintage style to the kitchen. **BOTTOM ROW** Andrea Chin, Vance Martin, and daughter Lily on their entry porch; column capitals beside the desk alcove echo the porch trim.

### How to blend and define with color

Like the other built-in features on the main floor, the desk and adjacent tall cabinet are painted with deeper tones of green so they separate from the walls and read as distinct, furniture-like "pieces." The same colors appear in the living room (fireplace, bench seats, and bookcases) and the kitchen cabinets and island. "Softer wall colors recede, while stronger color pieces pop forward," says designer Kevin Price. It's not just the cabinetry that uses bold hues: A rich violet in the desk alcove gives that slender space visual impact. ■

Chamomile  
(C2 Paint, 153)

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African Violet  
(Benjamin Moore,  
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## Storage with style

New built-in cabinetry blends gracefully with a home's existing design

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**NOT ENOUGH STORAGE** is a complaint shared by homeowners of every stripe. Andrea Chin and Vance Martin were among the frustrated ranks until they learned how additional storage space could blend in with—or even enhance—the overall room design. During the remodel of the 100-year-old Seattle home they share with daughters Abby, 15, and Lily, 12, designer Kevin Price added built-in Shaker-style cabinetry to the living and dining areas and the kitchen, improving their efficiency, spaciousness, and architectural character. “The built-ins give us the storage we need but keep the interior feeling open,” Chin says.

The new cabinetry flanks the living-room fireplace and wraps around a window seat in the dining room. Tucked between the kitchen and dining room is a 4-

foot-wide desk that hides clutter behind butterfly doors. “It’s my kitchen office and also where the mail and bills get sorted,” Chin says. The cabinetry’s spare lines are paired with a simple color scheme to unify the spaces while respecting the home’s traditional style. The palette includes two shades of green for the cabinetry, creamy white for walls and window trim, and violet as an accent. Coffered ceilings, leaded-glass windows, old-fashioned hardware, and extensive trim—including arches and brackets inspired by those framing the entry—reinforce the vintage look.

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Though they are new additions, the bench seats and glass-front cabinets beside the fireplace blend into the living room, thanks to detailing that matches the window trim.