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Curve Appeal

A San Juan Islands house cleaves to the natural contours of its site.

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1. Appealing Arc

Franke's FF2700 single-lever pull-down faucet touts an arced spout and slender spray head that together mesh with contemporary, modern, or transitional kitchen aesthetics. Dual-jet spray technology, a retractable nylon hose with push-button activation, and a ribbed handle add elements of functionality while a ceramic cartridge limits leakage. The faucet is available in chrome and satin nickel. Franke. 800.626.5771. www.franke.com.

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2. Quiet Copper

ROHL introduces a commercial-grade, copper-plated sink made from 16-gauge stainless steel. The single bowl features rounded interior edges and an insulated undercoat to reduce splash-back noise. The sink also is available in brushed stainless steel. ROHL. 800.777.9762. www.rohlhome.com.

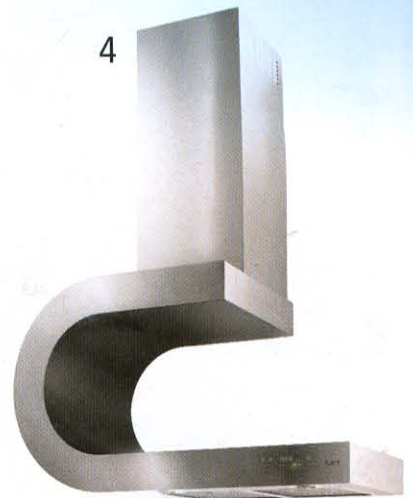
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3. Holding Pattern

Dacor added a 30-inch warming drawer to its Renaissance line in black glass with vertical or horizontal stainless steel trim. The drawer's four heat settings include one for activating yeast, along with low, medium, and high options; an additional setting controls food's moistness or crispness during the warming process. The cavity's interior—5 inches tall, 26 inches wide, and 22 3/4 inches deep—can hold four dinner plates and the racks can be adjusted seven ways. Dacor. 800.793.0093. www.dacor.com.

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4. Look of Intrigue

Sorpresa Generation II, BEST's line of sculptural range hoods, is living up to its name. Italian for the word "surprise," the collection of uniquely shaped wall-mounted hoods disguises ventilation in the kitchen by matching the flue to the wall, rather than the ceiling. The stainless steel Intrigue, shown, is available for ducted or non-ducted applications and has a 400-CFM blower and multispeed control. BEST. 800.558.1711. www.bestrangehoods.com.

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5. The Past Recast

La Cornue's 1908 range harkens the year the vaulted oven was born but gleans its value from a century on the market. Five high-performance burners—including one at 17,500 BTU—plus an electric salamander-style broiler that holds a steady temperature rather than cycling on and off join the traditional vaulted gas oven on the 36-inch frame. The 1908 is available in gloss or matte black, stainless steel, provence or navy blue, and two shades of white. La Cornue. 800.457.1356. www.lacornueusa.com.

6. Cutting Edge

A new backsplash from Viola Park does triple duty in an often overlooked area of the kitchen. Its 5-inch powder-coated stainless steel shelf keeps cooking supplies and spices within easy reach while an integrated wood knife block holds 12 knives and comes in walnut, rift-cut white oak, and bamboo. Viola Park. 212.925.8190. www.violapark.com.

7. Ergonomic Curves

A new sink and tub from Victoria + Albert use ergonomic curves to define shadows and add visual interest to bathrooms. At 68 inches long, 29 3/8 inches wide, and 22 1/8 inches deep, the freestanding Cabrits tub's compact form mimics the body's shape to hold less water than standard designs. The Cabrits 55 sink, at 4 inches tall, 21 5/8 inches long, and 13 3/8 inches wide, can be installed on its own or as part of a vanity. Both products are made from finely ground volcanic limestone and resin, the company's alternative to porcelain or ceramic. Victoria + Albert. 800.421.7189. www.vandabaths.com.

8. Double Flush

Villeroy & Boch's one-piece dual-flush siphonic toilet lets users choose between using 1.0 or 1.6 gallons per flush. The latest addition to its Subway line, the WaterSense-approved toilet measures 28 3/8 inches long, 15 inches wide, and 28 3/4 inches tall. Its soft-closing seat is made from Duraplast and can be removed for cleaning. Villeroy & Boch. 609.578.4300. www.villeroy-boch.com.