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The Finishing Touch

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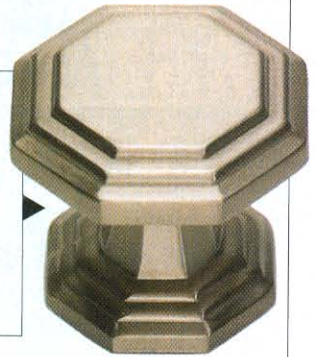
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HARLEQUIN TOUCH
Pump up the drama with a set of glossy red- and black-painted knobs and pulls. Framed in burnished bronze, the jewel tones will make a high-impact statement against dark-finish wood cabinets. Canterbury Knob, \$12, atlashomewares.com.



EYE-CATCHING OCTAGON
Faceted brushed-nickel knobs bring sophisticated detail to contemporary cabinets. Dickinson Octagon Knob, \$9, atlashomewares.com.



LEATHER ENCASED
Fitted leather strips add a touch of warmth to sleek metal bars, which make a great addition to a contemporary kitchen with a suite of stainless steel appliances. Zanzibar 5¼-inch Leather Pull, \$19, atlashomewares.com.



PORCELAIN POLISH
Creamy-white ceramic knobs add a classic touch to colorfully painted cabinets. Lindsdal Knob, \$5, ikea.com.



VINTAGE APPEAL
This early-1900s reproduction in polished nickel makes an elegant opener for powder-room vanity or built-in hutch. Bancroft Drawer Pull, \$25, kohler.com.



BULLSEYE!
Brushed-nickel knobs with glass tile insets add drama to simple white cabinets. Spa Black Round Knob, \$10, atlashomewares.com.



Where to Get it

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PL Premium adhesive, \$7, lepage.com (Canada), loctiteproducts.com

HOMEFRONT

Groom Your Gutters (p. 28)

Smart Screen, \$49.99 per 20 linear feet, thesmartscreen.com

10 Things You Should Know ...About Caulk (p. 32)

Thanks to: Jenny Johnson, Group Product Director, Dap Brands, Baltimore, Maryland; dap.com; 3M, 3m.com; KBS, kbsspassivefire.com.

Red Devil Create-A-Color caulk, \$5, plastic mixer, \$30, reddevil.com

Outdoor Lighting (p. 34-35)

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Rejuvenation; rejuvenation.com.
Porch Lite: Coldwater 1-Light, Maxin Lighting, maxinlighting.com.

A Word About Wall-to-Wall (p. 36)

Thanks to: Christopher Davis, President and CEO, World Floor Covering Association, wfca.org.

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Association of Home Builders Research Center, toolbase.org.

Structure EPS insulated vinyl siding, from \$4.75 per square foot, installed, mastic.com; Carvedwood 44 vinyl siding, from \$3.25 per square foot, installed, mastic.com; Envoy aluminum siding, from \$5 per square foot, installed, mastic.com; HardiePlank fiber cement lap siding, from \$4.50 per square foot, installed, jameshardie.com

< CABINETS REVEALED (p. 89)

Thanks to: Home Improvement Source, Tampa Bay, Florida; homeimprovementsource.net.; Alberry solid birch vanity in cinder, \$788, us.kohler.com, **Cabinet doors:** Glencoe cabinet doors, with 27-inch double door base cabinet, \$520, merillat.com; Moderno cabinet doors, approx. \$145 per linear foot, armstrong.com; Vogue cabinet doors, \$150 each, \$640 for cabinet box, plainandfancy.com; Sedona cabinet doors, approx. \$270 per linear foot, kraftmaid.com; Skylands-cabinet doors, in Purestyle, \$169 per linear foot, homedepot.com; Liljestad cabinet doors, paired with Akurum cabinets, \$149 per linear foot, ikea.com / **Hardware:** Canterbury Knob and Canterbury Pull, \$12, atlashomewares.com; Dickinson Octagon Knob, \$9, altashomewares.com; Zanzibar 5¼-inch Leather Pull, \$19, atlashomewares.com; Lindsdal Knob, \$5, ikea.com; Bancroft Drawer Pull, \$25, us.kohler.com; Spa Black Round Knob, \$10, atlashomewares.com



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