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## Creative Kitchen Ideas

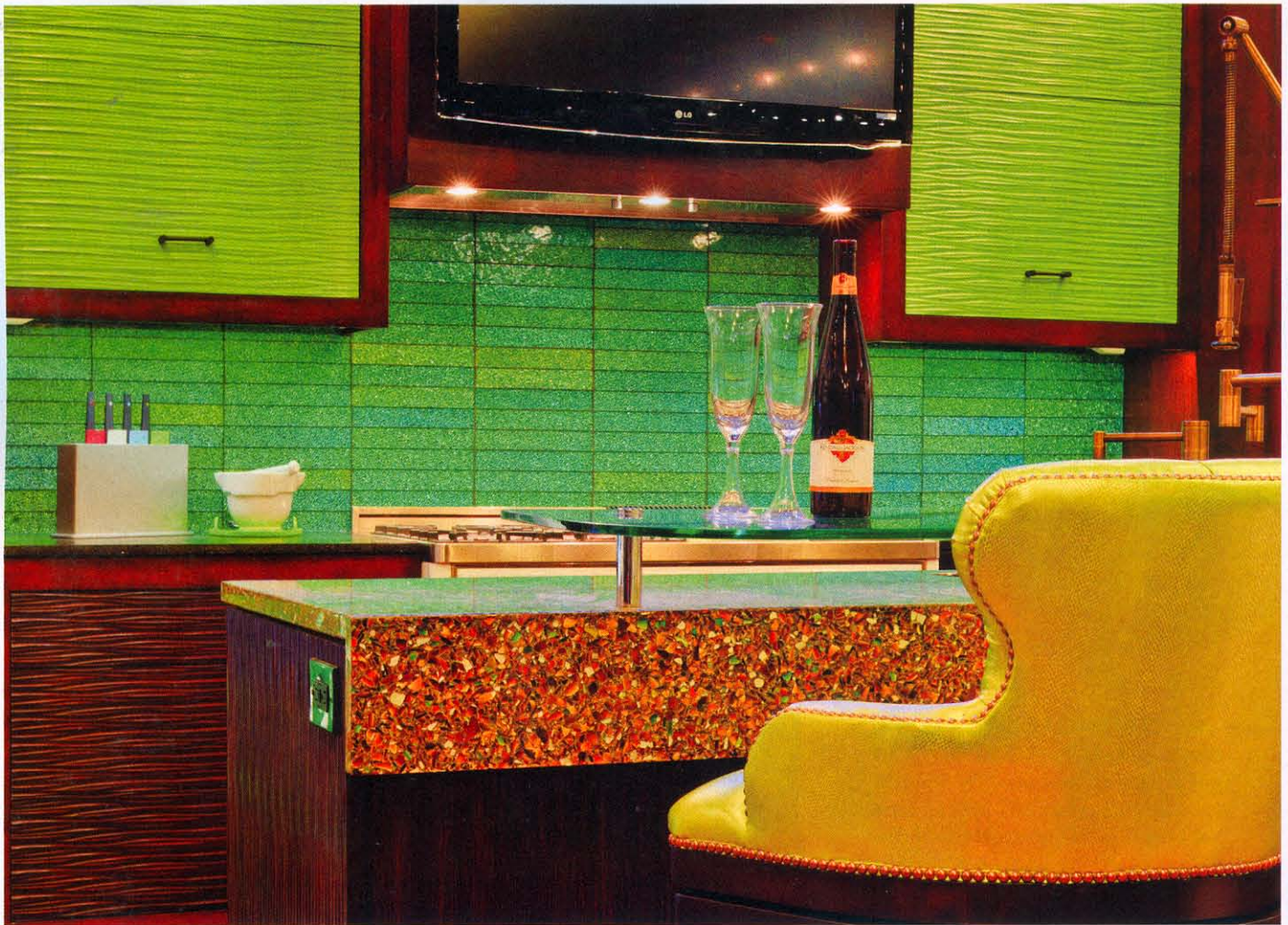


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# Setting the Tone

**POP! POW! BLAMO!** Even a small splash of bold color can give a kitchen that extra oomph. Color can come in the form of a commitment, demonstrated through dazzling countertops, bold backsplashes and distinct cabinets. Or, it can make its appearance in a more modest application, through brightly toned small appliances and gadgets, as easy to change as the paint on the walls.

We recommend assessing your own color comfort level and proceeding from there. When bringing new hues into the kitchen, it's important to retain and build upon the predetermined finished look. See a sampling of pigment-packed kitchen fare on the pages ahead.

Designed by Catherine Monaghan of Kitchens Southwest, these lemon-lime-colored cabinets accent the colorful tiled backsplash.

—SHAWNDRÉA CORBIN





**Clockwise from top left:** The Apple Martini quartz countertop from Caesarstone adds a citrus-fresh twist to the kitchen. ■ Made of volvic lava stone extracted from volcanoes in France, this countertop from Pyrolave (shown in a vibrant orange) comes in glossy and matte finishes. ■ Pyrolave's volvic lava stone is available in more than 30 colorways, including this pale blue. The stone's unique composition allows it to be cut in extra-long lengths, eliminating the need for seams.