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# Pick a Number

A great-looking house number identifies your home and can bring your style all the way to the curb.





## Notice how the mail carrier looks for a moment as he passes, then smiles.

And who could blame him? That number—with its seductive curves, its edgy flair—it's clearly meant to please. No one would claim that the house number is as important as the house itself. But there are a few people, such as designer and pattern maker Eric Kaster, who might come close. Kaster owns Eleek, Inc., in Portland, Oregon, where he makes house numbers in a style he calls the Mackintosh. “We mold each one in wax, by hand, then cast it in stainless steel,” he says. “When you see one in person, you want to touch it, like a piece of jewelry.”

While renovating his personal residence, a 1907 Craftsman, Kaster embedded his own set of numbers in a concrete pillar on his entry stairs. “They stick out just a bit so you can see them from the street,” he says. “I think they add character. They complete the picture of the front of the house.”

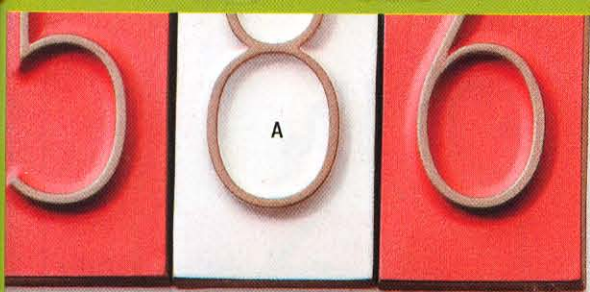
*We agree. Here are some of our favorites.*



**Above Left** House numbers don't necessarily need to match your home's architecture. Choosing numbers should be fun, and your choice should say something about you and your home. **Above** Mooza Designs' handcrafted, resin-sealed numbers consist of Japanese paper on an acrylic base.

- A. NEUTRA**, Heath Ceramics, \$45, [heathceramics.com](http://heathceramics.com)
  - B. 5-INCH RIBBON DEEP**, Natural Satin Aluminum, Weston Letters, \$34, [architecturalnumbers.com](http://architecturalnumbers.com)
  - C. MISSION**, metal, Atlas, \$14, [atlashomewares.com](http://atlashomewares.com)
  - D. VICTORIAN VINE**, Rocheford Handmade Tiles, \$25, [housenumbertiles.com](http://housenumbertiles.com)
  - E. DOMICILE**, metal, Chiasso, \$14, [chiasso.com](http://chiasso.com)
  - F. VICTORIAN**, Clay Squared to Infinity, \$28, [claysquared.com](http://claysquared.com)
  - G. 3-INCH AMERICANA BOLD**, Bronze Oxidized, Weston Letters, \$53, [architecturalnumbers.com](http://architecturalnumbers.com)
  - H. MACKINTOSH**, metal, Eleek, \$195 (set of three), [eleekinc.com](http://eleekinc.com)
  - I. SWIRL**, Clay Squared to Infinity, \$28, [claysquared.com](http://claysquared.com)
  - J. MOOZA NUMBERS**, Mooza Designs, \$18, [moozadesigns.com](http://moozadesigns.com)
  - K. EAMES**, Heath Ceramics, \$45, [heathceramics.com](http://heathceramics.com)
  - L. 5-INCH RUST**, HouseArt, \$24, [houseart.net](http://houseart.net)
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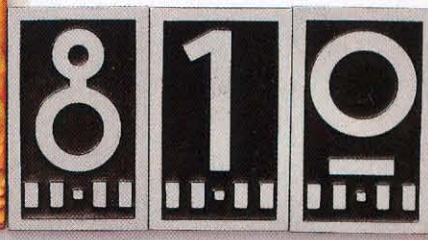
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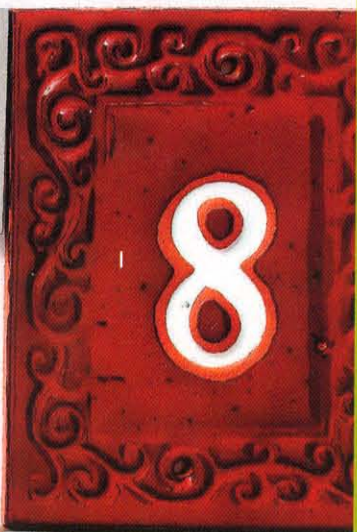
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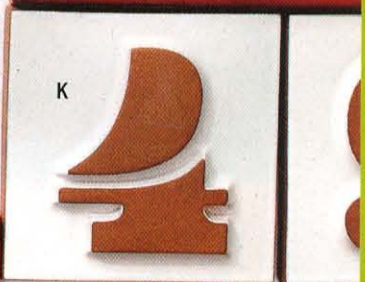
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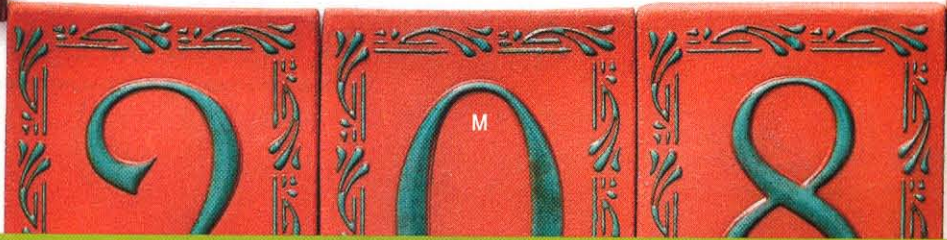
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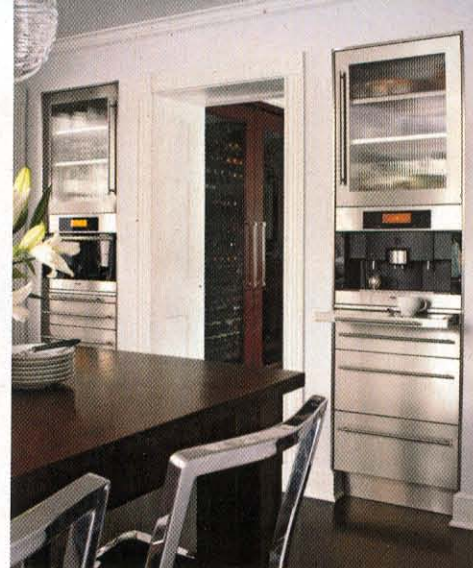
Chicago, Illinois



## *The Right Mix*

Old and new are equally comfortable inside a stately Chicago-area home.





love of all things old with her passion for those that are modern, it offered irresistible opportunities to tweak the interior to perfectly suit her family. Maid's room? Unnecessary. A main-level bedroom? Beth coveted a cozy den instead. "Conversation is very important to me," she says, "and I think a smaller house allows for more of it. It makes your interactions with people more intimate, even within your own family."

So she and Larry devoted two years to perfecting their already-refined house, all without adding a single inch to its footprint. Self-described foodies who love gathering a crowd for dinner, they appropriately began in the kitchen. Eradicating a pair of space-eating staircases—one leading to the basement, the other ascending to the former maid's quarters—delivered enough room for an entire wall of stainless-steel cabinetry.

Or so it appears. While the upper cabinets do indeed stow dry goods, the lower bank consists solely of refrigerator and freezer drawers. "I wanted the kitchen to be as streamlined as possible," Beth says of her choice to forgo a standard upright refrigerator, "so that it wouldn't distract from the food and the people in it. After all, how interesting is it to look at a refrigerator?" Concrete-color countertops, glass hardware, and polished-aluminum chairs contribute to the kitchen's hip factor—which is balanced by

**Opposite** The high-style kitchen features a custom-crafted island. **Above Left** Beth's kitchen sparkles with metallic finishes, both shiny and brushed. **Top** A built-in coffee station offers a one-stop storage, prep, and serving zone. **Above** All of the brushed, stainless-steel drawers are refrigerated, obviating the need for a standard refrigerator.



*hollywoodathome.com.*

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**Bookshelf lighting**—Circa Lighting; *circalighting.com*.

**Sofa**—Tim Barber Ltd., Los Angeles; 323/782-1000.

**Fabric for sofa** Collins Strie Texture in Blue, **fabric for armchair** Collins Strie Texture in Wheat—Hinson & Co.,

New York City; 212/475-4100 [T]. **Armchair,**

**blue-and-white chairs, coffee table**—Hollywood at

Home; *hollywoodathome.com*. **Stripe fabric**

SK06—Peter Dunham Textiles; *peterdunhamtextiles*

*.com*. **End tables**—Mecox Gardens; 800/487-4854;

*mecoxgardens.com*.

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**Banquette**—Tim Barber Ltd., Los Angeles; 323/782-1000.

**Fabric for cushions** Buckley Stripe 10928-05—

Cowtan & Tout; 212/647-6900; *cowtan.com* [T]. **Table,**

**chairs**—Hollywood at Home; *hollywoodathome.com*.

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**Cabinetry** in Sneaker White WW semigloss—Tim

Barber Ltd., Los Angeles; 323/782-1000. **Cabinet**

**hardware**—Restoration Hardware; 800/910-9836;

*restorationhardware.com*. **Sink faucets, backsplash**

**tile** Zephyr—Waterworks; 800/998-2284; *waterworks*

*.com*. **Range**—Viking Range Corp.; 888/845-4641;

*vikingrange.com*. **Hood**—Vent-A-Hood Co.; 800/331-

2492; *ventahood.com*. **Countertop** soapstone—C. G.

Custom Tile & Marble, Inc., Pacoima, California;

818/890-5100; *cgtile.com*. **Refrigerator**—Sub-Zero,

Inc.; 800/222-7820; *subzero.com*. **Stools**—Hollywood

at Home; *hollywoodathome.com*.

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**Wall paint** Ivory Tusk—Benjamin Moore; 888/236-6667;

*benjaminmoore.com* [P]. **Bed, sofa**—Hollywood at

Home; *hollywoodathome.com*. **Lamps** custom from

Chinese vases, **bench at foot of bed**—Tim Barber Ltd.,

Los Angeles; 323/782-1000. **Shades** custom—

Filament Lighting, Los Angeles; 323/935-7636;

*filamentlightingla.com*. **Mirrors** Acanthus Mirror in

sterling silver leaf—Carvers Guild; *carversguild.com*.

**Fabric for bench** Cornell Stripe in Natural and

Blue—Rogers & Goffigon, Ltd.; 203/532-8068 [T].

**Side chairs** Historic Charleston Tulip Chair in Cream—

Baker; 800/592-2537; *bakerfurniture.com*. **Floor lamp**

Bryant Floor Lamp with paper shade—

Circa Lighting; *circalighting.com*.

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**Wall and trim paint** Decorator White—Benjamin

Moore; 888/236-6667; *benjaminmoore.com* [P].

**Chairs**—Henredon; 800/444-3682; *henredon.com*.

**Pillow fabric**—Clarence House, Inc.; *clarencehouse*

*.com* [T]. **Table** vintage, **brass side table**—The Find

Antiques, Highwood, Illinois; 847/266-1700. **Hanging**

**light fixture, mirror over fireplace**—Restoration

Hardware; 800/910-9836; *restorationhardware.com*.

**Fabrication of fireplace surround**—Exclusive

Woodworking, Waukegan, Illinois; 847/249-5222.

**Coffee table**—Swaim, Inc., High Point, North Carolina;

336/885-6131; *swaim-inc.com*. **Sofa** custom—Park

West Furniture, Wilmette, Illinois; 847/724-1890.

**Fabric for sofa**—Architex, Northbrook, Illinois;

800/621-0827; *architex-llh.com*. **Red pillows**—

Bedside Manor, Ltd.; 800/485-4744; *bedsidemanorlltd*

*.com*. **Floor lamp**—Neiman Marcus; 800/825-8000;

*neimanmarcus.com* [product line varies].

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**Drapery fabric**—Kravet; 800/645-9068; *kravet.com*.

**Mirror**—Neiman Marcus; 800/825-8000;

*neimanmarcus.com* [product line varies]. **Chest of**

**drawers**—Baker; 800/592-2537; *bakerfurniture.com*,

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**Dining table** custom—Brian Belli, Milwaukee;

414/839-8826. **Fabric for dining chairs**—Architex,

Northbrook, Illinois; 800/621-0827; *architex-llh.com*.

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**Wall paint** Tundra—Benjamin Moore; 888/236-6667;

*benjaminmoore.com* [P]. **Island** custom fabrication—

Brian Belli, Milwaukee; 414/839-8826. **Nickel feet for**

**island** custom fabrication—Albar, Wilmette, Illinois;

866/823-8404. **Stools**—Emeco Industries,

800/366-5951, ext. 224, *emeco.net*. **Pendant**

**lights**—Light Trends; *lighttrends.com*. **White**

**cabinetry**—Downsview Kitchens; *downsviewkitchens*

*.com*. **Cabinet hardware, hardware for stainless-**

**steel cabinets**—Hafele America Co.; 800/423-3531;

*hafele.com/us*. **Backsplash**—Chadwick's Surfaces

International, Libertyville, Illinois; 847/680-3222;

*chadwickssurfaces.net*. **Countertop**—CaesarStone US;

877/987-2789; *caesarstoneus.com*. **Sink fixtures**—

Kohler Co.; 800/456-4537; *us.kohler.com*. **Range,**

**hood**—Wolf Appliance, Inc.; 800/332-9513;

*wolfappliance.com*. **Microwave oven** Insight Pro

Microwave Drawer—Sharp Electronics Corp.;

800/237-4277; *sharpusa.com*. **Stainless-steel**

**cabinets, countertop, and backsplash**—Lasertron

Direct, Sunrise, Florida; 945/846-8600;

*lasertrondirect.com*. **Refrigerator**—Sub-Zero, Inc.;

800/222-7820; *subzero.com*. **Glass canisters**—The

Container Store; 800/786-7315; *containerstore.com*.

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**Marble flooring**—Classic Tile, Inc., Highwood, Illinois;

847/432-1394; *classictile.us*.

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**Ceiling fan, rattan furniture, pillows**—Restoration

Hardware; 800/910-9836; *restorationhardware.com*.

**Hanging light fixtures, rug**—Pottery Barn;

800/922-5507; *potterybarn.com* [product line varies].

**Flooring**—Chadwick's Surfaces International,

Libertyville, Illinois; 847/680-3222; *chadwickssurfaces*

*.net*. **Side table**—The Find Antiques, Highwood, Illinois;

847/266-1700.

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**Wall paint** Coventry Gray, **trim paint** Decorator

White—Benjamin Moore; 888/236-6667;

*benjaminmoore.com* [P]. **Bedside tables, bed**—Drexel

Heritage Furnishings, Inc.; 800/916-1986;

*drexelheritage.com*. **Mirrors over bedside tables**—

Wisteria; 800/767-5490; *wisteria.com*. **Lucite**

**bench**—The Find Antiques, Highwood, Illinois;

847/266-1700. **Window shutters**—Sunburst Shutters,

Elgin, Illinois; 847/697-4000; *sunburstshutters.com*.

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**Marble flooring, shower tile, backsplash at**

**vanity**—Classic Tile, Inc., Highwood, Illinois;

847/432-1394; *classictile.us*. **Glass shower door,**

**frosted glass in water closet door, mirror, glass**

**shelves**—Inman Glass, Shower Doors & Mirrors,

Highland Park, Illinois; 847/432-2030. **Chair**—

Wisteria; 800/767-5490; *wisteria.com*. **Sink fixtures,**

**mirrors, bathtub, tub fixtures**—Waterware Luxury

Plumbing, Highland Park, Illinois; 847/579-3900.

**Cabinetry flanking tub** custom—George Drowne

Cabinets and Millwork; Lake Bluff, Illinois; 847/951-

6109. **Apothecary jars**—The Find Antiques, Highwood,

Illinois; 847/266-1700. **White storage baskets**—The

Container Store; 800/786-7315; *containerstore.com*.

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303 Wacker Dr., Suite 1130, Chicago, IL 60601;

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