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**Kitchen
Remodel 101**

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Who:

Interior Designer **Jennifer W. Howard**, owner / designer, JWH Design & Cabinetry of Rye

Design Philosophy:

"I start with the basics of a space, how it is constructed, and how it needs to be changed to improve the flow, function, and feeling. When the space is 'right,' then the rest of the details flow."

Inspiration:

Architecture. "I love walking the streets of interesting cities or towns and looking at both old and new buildings — it always sparks my interest."

Hottest Design Trends:

The return of color! More eco-friendly and durable materials for countertops and stone. "It's good for the environment, as well as a more relaxed living style."

Top Design Tips:

Choose function over form.
"Yes, your room should be fabulous looking, but good flow, proper clearances, functional storage, and other practical considerations should be driving the design."

Stay true to your natural style and be wary of trends for the bigger investment decisions.
"It's much easier and more affordable to add the fun, trendy items that are easily changed as styles change."

Spend the budget where it counts. "Fixing the fundamental problems in the space (i.e., windows, heating, lighting, etc.) should be the first priority in a renovation."

Products She Loves:

- 1. Rohl Michael Berman pull-out/pull-down kitchen faucets
- 2. Hicks pendant by Thomas O'Brien for Visual Comfort
- 3. Hip Herringbone Mirror Gloss mosaic glass from Artistic Tile
- 4. Beveled-edge cabinet detail on a custom JWH door style
- 5. High-gloss accent ceiling
- 6. Emtek crystal knobs



"For a touch of sparkle and reflection."

