

Spatial Relations

Rach's design buddy Evette Rios brings big style to a small space.

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ith our resident makeover artist Evette Rios by their side, Heather O'Brien and Marty Kroll have been sanding, painting, hammering and reorganizing their way to a bright new kitchen, and a few weekends of work have really paid off! WEEKEND THREE was the most challenging project of all: finding storage solutions for the tiny space. Turn the page to see how Evette tackled the problems—and got Heather and Marty cooking again.

TURN TO SEE WEEKEND THREE HOW-TOS

WEEKEND ONE Brighten dark brick and paint walls.

WEEKEND TWO Give dated cupboards a facelift.

WEEKEND THREE Create storage space and clear counters.

For how-tos and other project details, visit rachaelraymag.com/november.

rolling

trash can

custom bench

plywood

hinges

pillow top

\$98.25

\$21.75

\$200.00

\$377.00



EVETTE'S HOUSECALL

You can never have enough storage space in the kitchen, and Heather and Marty desperately needed more. We found it in some unexpected places.





CREATE DOUBLE-DUTY STORAGE

By replacing old dining chairs with a custom, built-in bench, the couple gained a great breakfast nook—and a hidden compartment for bulky essentials.



USE EMPTY WALLS

Install a hanging rack (\$10, ikea.com) on an unused wall for magazines and recipes.



CLEAR THE COUNTERS

Free up precious counter space by placing appliances in a hutch or on a buffet table.



MAKE A MOVE

Hide the trash can in a cabinet on a roll-out glide system (\$37, lowes.com).



FIND HIDING SPOTS

Install a small swing-out drawer in front of the sink for sponges and pads.



CHEAP fix

Heather and Marty needed a spot for fresh produce, but we wanted to keep the counters clear. I picked up straw CD bins for about \$5 each at Target and screwed them into the wall. No one could tell they were meant for tunes and not tomatoes!



See this kitchen makeover in action! Watch the video at rachaelraymag.com/november.