

Green in More Ways Than One

Kitchen renovation by Paradise Found Construction, 106 Ortons Point Place, Cary, NC 27513, (919) 830-7218, www.paradisefoundconstruction.com

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The owners of this Cary home contacted Jeff Wiblizhouser at Paradise Found Construction for their kitchen remodel because they shared Wiblizhouser's values of environmental responsibility, resource conservation, energy efficiency and recycling. "They were very interested in our relationship with Habitat For Humanity, and our commitment to donate all reusable items that we remove from a home during a renovation," Wiblizhouser says. So that is exactly what they did.

Driven by a need to renovate the clients' newly purchased home before they moved in, Wiblizhouser and his crew had just 6 weeks to design and complete the makeover. The pros began by reconfiguring the laundry room, and then completely remodeling the kitchen.

"The 36-inch pro range with stainless-steel backsplash and hood was something [the homeowner] had grown up with in her mother's kitchen, so this was an emotional 'must have,'" Wiblizhouser explains. "We reconfigured the cabinet and appliance layout to facilitate easier flow and usability. The green-painted distressed-wood cabinets resonate with [the homeowners'] design tastes, and are finished off with antique nickel pulls and knobs."

The jade granite countertops contain colors of all of the homeowner's design elements, and the slate mosaic-tile backsplash complements the aesthetic. The slate-tile mosaic also appears on the fireplace surround in the adjoining family room (the formerly brick hearth was refaced as part of the renovations). And with that, the dream home was complete. 🏠

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