



AFTER PICTURE



BEFORE PICTURE – View of existing cabinets & access to back porch.

Brief Explanation of the Scope of Work

We completely replaced kitchen of this historic Dupont Circle brownstone.

Unusual Challenges/Constraints and Creative Solutions

The kitchen was poorly laid out, dimly lit and needed to be better connected to the living room and the back porch. Though generous in overall size, it had real flow problems. To correct this, the prep area by the patio was eliminated. We flipped the location of this door with the adjacent window. This really improved the space. We also opened up the kitchen to the dining room by removing the door. A new central prep/breakfast peninsula adds critical counter space without blocking the flow (See picture below).

The lighting issue was tackled by installing generous but discrete low voltage recessed lights. A handsome period pendant light over the breakfast area creates a nice focal point. Under cabinet and in cabinet lighting provide ample task/mood lighting. A new full light door with transom adds much needed daylight (See picture below).



AFTER PICTURE - View of pendant light & in-cabinet lighting (Behind).

The selection of finishes reflects a great deal of thought. We worked with the homeowner to create thought-provoking contrast. Black cabinets with beaded inset in the wine center and on the breakfast

area tie the kitchen into the dining room with its black furniture. The Cherry cabinets with raised panel/ inset doors and glass, dress up the kitchen. Likewise, two choices of counter materials, Carrara marble for the black cabinets and absolute black granite for the cherry cabinets play off each other. New wide plank pine flooring was chosen. This helps lighten the space. New moldings match those in the existing house. A subway tile backsplash behind the sink ties the elevation together nicely.

Tying the kitchen in with the rest of the main floor is also achieved via housing the entertainment center in the pantry, which is by the exterior door. High-end appliances were selected. The range hood has a custom stainless steel duct cover. At the other end of the kitchen is a wine cooler built into a full height cabinet (*See pictures below*).



BEFORE & AFTER PICTURES - View of range hood.



AFTER PICTURE – View of wine cooler & black cabinetry.



BEFORE PICTURE – View of existing peninsula, sink & kitchen's back door.

Overall Results

This homeowner is delighted with the functionality and level of craftsmanship in his new kitchen and how it allows him to entertain more comfortably.