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## A Swedish Sensibility

It was the birth of twins, now seven, that was the impetus to renovate, homeowner Kerstin Lindh says; the original Briarcliff Manor kitchen could handle a family of four—six, no way. She and her husband, Lars, kept the footprint of the original kitchen, but bumped it out to gain an additional 250 square feet. Originally from Sweden, Kerstin and Lars knew they wanted a sleek, clean, modern look with lots of natural light, so they used very few upper cabinets, maximizing the storage in the two center islands. “I use the smaller one as a workspace—making the kids lunches and snacks,” she says. “And our entire family can sit around the large island. The new space makes it so easy to entertain.” The only hesitation they had was about the size of the range hood. “Michael, our designer, said we needed a forty-eight inch hood to balance the space and that seemed way too large,” Kerstin says. “But it turns out he was exactly right.”

**Designer:** Michael Supino, Majestic Kitchens & Baths, 700 Fenimore Rd, Mamaroneck (914) 381-1302; [majestickitchens.com](http://majestickitchens.com); **Cabinets:** Apple Valley; **Appliances:** Electrolux from Leibert's Royal Green; **Countertops:** White tops are quartz Silestone (Zodiac Snow White); brown is CaesarStone; **Glass tiles:** Oceanside, plus multi-colored mosaic, from Ceramic Design, Westport, CT; **Lighting:** WAC and Tech Lighting.











## A Kitchen Worthy of the View

Kenneth Kail and Ivy Hwang loved the panoramic views of the Hudson River from their 1987 Briarcliff Manor ranch; the original pink kitchen with Formica countertops and a linoleum floor, not so much. They were already planning major renovations to the home and had brought in an architect, so an overhaul of the kitchen was a no-brainer. "Ivy wanted a large, open space with a study area for her and a dining area with doors to the view," Kail says. The BlueStar cooktop was set at a lower height to accommodate using a wok. Adjoining the kitchen is a greenhouse where Hwang grows herbs all year long. While the renovations took a long time, "it wasn't painful," says Kail, possibly due to his and Hwang's care in selecting contractors and architects: they asked to see six or seven of their contractor's previous projects, whereas they heard that most people don't ask for any.

**Architect:** Ronald Evitts of Ronald Evitts Architect LLC, Brooklyn, NY; **Contractor:** Sunrise Building & Remodeling of Briarcliff Manor; **Cabinets:** Natural maple cabinets by Crown Point Cabinetry of Claremont, New Hampshire; **Countertop:** Silestone Verde Aqua; **Tile:** Spa Green quartzite tiles by Stone Source of New York; **Appliances:** Double-sized refrigerator and wine cooler by Liebherr, GE Monogram warming drawer, Bosch built-in oven and microwave, Miele dishwasher, BlueStar cooktop; **Lighting:** Fire Farm Kyoto and Tech Lighting Solitude pendants.





