

Design by The Jonathans won HOBI Awards for both *Best Kitchen and Best Bath by a Supplier*. We asked owner, Jonathan Gordon for his thoughts on kitchens and baths.

“We’re seeing quite a bit of wood tone for kitchen cabinetry, and a continued preference for Quartz countertops over granite or marble. Natural quartzite countertops are also very much “in”, often as island accents. Apron front sinks remain very popular, and matte black fixtures and hardware are preferred. Aside from the high-end appliance packages that remain very desirable, GE Café is making a real splash with good quality mid-price appliances.”

Karen Berkemeyer, KB Home, worked with Sandy Effren of Greyrock Homes



on this year’s Outstanding Kitchen for the 2020 Idea House in Norwalk. Karen had this to say about Kitchen Trends.

“We are still seeing simple cabinetry. It could be shaker, slab, or flush inset. The new direction is color & texture. We are seeing bright colors on islands. High gloss color on butler’s pantry. Textured laminates on slab doors give a warm modern feeling. We are seeing white mixed with wood or with color. We are also seeing dark painted cabinets in black or dark gray. Green is surfacing in dark shades or in plant colors.”



Design by the Jonathans winning kitchen.

Tile trends

Karen went on to comment on trends in tile.

“Simplicity or a spa feeling in baths is popular. Gray still works but taupe lightens the look. Large tiles give a clean look with less grout. Mosaics are being used in patterns on shower floors or on feature walls.

- Feature walls with color can brighten the room.
- Different tile patterns are being used on walls such as herringbone, arrow, and hexagon.
- Metal is being mixed with tile and glass giving a new contrasting look.”

- Karen Berkemeyer, KB Home

Bath trends



In bathrooms, **Jonathan Gordon** of Deign by The Jonathans sees the continuing demand for large custom showers with a bench, wall niches, and at least one rain head. Matte black fixtures and hardware and painted cabinets with Quartz countertops are preferred, and unique wall, floor, and accent tile installations are particularly popular.”

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