

comfort zone



WHAT'S HOT: "Contemporary style is hot right now, but does not necessarily suit everyone," says Beckermann. Sleek European slab doors for kitchen cabinetry or bathroom vanities are very trendy, as are white kitchens with light lacquer finishes and quartz countertops – especially when they're paired with warm wood floors or furniture. "I like to mix and match modern and traditional features," says Beckermann. "It usually adds warmth to a home and gives it personality."

SEASONAL: While cabinet design is not affected by seasonal trends, Kitchen Concepts does update its showroom every few years, which amounts to some amazing savings for clients. "Right now we are featuring some beautiful kitchens for over 60 per cent off!" says Beckermann. One light and creamy kitchen has stunning granite counters and an incredible cherry-wood kitchen

has quartz countertops. Both are on sale for a fraction of their original prices – and these low prices also include delivery and installation. Beckermann is preparing to make major changes to her showroom, so prospective clients can snap up some beautiful high-end kitchens at extremely low prices. Similarly, check out her wall unit, library and vanities, which are also highly discounted for the sale.

FAVOURITES: "I do many remarkable kitchen renovations and what's important to me is that it fits my client's home and lifestyle," says Beckermann. "However, I am often amazed myself how a new kitchen can transform a home. That makes me happy and proud."

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THE PLACE: Kitchen Concepts by Martha Beckermann has been in business for almost 30 years. Beckermann is known for her custom cabinet design and focuses on kitchens, but also designs and sells libraries, entertainment centres, wall units and bathroom vanities. "Over the years I have done many different styles of projects, from traditional to transitional and contemporary," says Beckermann. "Kitchen Concepts concentrates on what works best for our clients' tastes and style... not on whatever is 'en vogue' at the moment."

THE STYLE: Beckermann believes every home should reflect its owners' personal style. She describes her own style as transitional. "My husband and I live in a country area and we have a light kitchen with marble countertops. We have enjoyed our kitchen for many years and still love what we picked at the time. It works with our home, which is a mix and match of different styles," she says.

