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BARBARA WESTBROOK
designed an oval island with
open shelves at each end
for easy access to a collection
of ironstone.

TO SEE OR NOT TO SEE

Integrated appliances give a kitchen a seamless look, and you can take it to the next level by adding top-chef, professional stainless steel to the mix.

1. SINK

Give the old-fashioned farmhouse sink an update in sleek stainless steel. The Kerr sink by Waterworks blurs the line between traditional and modern, and it helps make this kitchen feel timeless. "Forget divided bowls," says Christopher Peacock. "It should be wide enough to scrub a roasting pan."

2. DISHWASHER

A Miele dishwasher is concealed behind a paneled front to blend right in with the cabinetry. "You can't get away with cheap hardware in a white kitchen," says Eric Cohler. Here, a mix of glass knobs, polished-nickel bin pulls, and traditional refrigerator pulls add personality to the space.

3. RANGE

Think about color as an option when you're choosing appliances. The Chateau 165 range by La Cornue looks pristine in white, with stainless steel trim and a matching hood. "Don't sweat the whites," says Keller Donovan. "You're never going to find the same white in all the different materials, and that's just fine."

4. REFRIGERATOR

"Too much shiny stainless steel can get clinical really fast," says Denise McGaha. That's why this Sub-Zero fridge is masked with white panels. But don't go too ornate. "If you want a kitchen to remain classic, make sure your selections pass the Julia Child test," says Matthew Quinn. "Would she approve?"