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## LIBRARY HOUSE KITCHEN

Portland (OR), USA

Jessica Helgerson Interior Design

Once a narrow room with just one window to its name, this Mediterranean-inspired kitchen has been opened up, redesigned, and flooded with light. After removing the wall between the kitchen and the family room, the designers filled the resulting space with bookshelves and a built-in seating area so that it could retain its original function. At the heart of the kitchen is a high, Spanish-style island that incorporates drawers, seating, and ample space for a relaxed breakfast or lunch. A wide archway gives easy access to the dining room for more formal meals. The antique glass-fronted cabinet, moved here from the owner's bedroom, adds variety to a long wall of smart black cupboards.



## NW 13TH AVENUE LOFT

Portland (OR), USA

Jessica Helgerson Interior Design produced by Hegarty Construction

If NW 13th Avenue is one of Portland's most interesting streets, then the kitchen in this petite condo is the perfect fit for its address. The rich mix of textures—from rustic red brick and stark concrete to glazed brick tiles, honed marble counters, and walnut shelves—makes for an endlessly fascinating space. Vintage Eames DKW chairs do their part by combining leather, steel, and wood, while the curved baubles of the blown-glass chandelier provide an engaging counterpoint to the right angles of the table, tiles, and windowpanes.







## ALHAMBRA KITCHEN

Portland (OR), USA

Jessica Helgerson Interior Design produced by Gregor Mitchell – The Works Construction

Ladders, unless you are painting and decorating, are not a common kitchen feature. If your home is a converted library, though, it seems only fair to find a way of using them. The ladder in the kitchen of Library House not only looks good, but is also fully functional and helps the owners reach the high shelves. Situated at one end of the large living space, the kitchen is overlooked by a broad window framed in the same black as the cabinets and shelves to either side. This unity of color creates a stylish bookend to the room. While the overall design mostly reflects the vintage of the house, a few modern touches, such as the curlicue desk chair and the lamps over the dining table, have been incorporated.