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AN ARTIST'S
EASY REMODEL

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Carol Knorrp's
sunny new kitchen
is her family's
favorite room in
the house. p. 110.



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A stuffy Victorian gets hip, a rustic cabin falls under an artist's spell and nine designers share their best kitchen and bath remodels, proving that a new look doesn't have to mean a new address.



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Architect Ken Linsteadt transformed a 1895 Victorian in Marin into a light-filled modern family home.

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Carol Knorpp and her family spend most of their time in the kitchen's sunny breakfast nook. OPPOSITE: The Larkspur historic board required architect Ken Linsteadt to keep many of the house's 1895 elements, including the front porch and center hall.

TORY

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Carol Knorpp remembers crying for two straight months after moving into her new home in Larkspur in the fall of 2005. She was devastated to leave her previous home, where she and her husband Jon had lived for 18 years and raised their two sons. They were just about to start a major remodel of their ranch house when Jon went to check out a for-sale sign up the street. "I was the one who chose our first house—I fell in love with it the first time I walked in," Carol says. "When Jon saw this home, he had that same gut reaction, and he said, 'It's my turn.'" The house up the street



Linseadt knocked out a wall between the old kitchen (left) and dining room to create one large space with room for a central island. BELOW: Extra-tall archways along the main hall lead to the living and dining rooms.

