

Jonathan was so busy designing kitchens for others that he never had time to do ours

# Lady in waiting

Even with a kitchen designer for a husband, Rebecca Bilson had to wait her turn for the superb creation that stands in her period property



My favourite appliance has to be the range cooker. It's got two ovens – a large one that we use for entertaining and a small one that's a better size when it's just the two of us



One of the few problems Rebecca and Jonathan had to overcome was disguising a large venting pipe. 'Our solution was to create a bespoke corner cupboard to hide it in, which we use to store our crockery,' Rebecca explains. The pretty Giallo Dakar granite worktops remind the couple of a sandy beach. 'Jonathan's knowledge of the kitchens market meant we had no shortage of different materials to consider, but this made the choice harder,' says Rebecca. The walls are painted in Farrow & Ball's White Tie



Rebecca and Jonathan Bilson chose cabinetry painted in Pale Powder by Farrow & Ball, interspersed with oak details. Rebecca finds the simple, Shaker-style finish very easy to keep free of dust. The Mercury range cooker in Storm adds a deep splash of colour

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Slate tiles form a chic splashback that coordinates with the steel blue of the cooker



## THE KITCHEN FILE

### DESIGN & CABINERY

- Jonathan Bilson at **Thyme for Kitchens**, The Old Post Office, Middle Street, Shere, Guildford, Surrey GU5 9HF (01483 203737) [www.thymeforkitchens.co.uk](http://www.thymeforkitchens.co.uk)
- Bespoke painted and oak furniture

### WORKTOPS

- Giallo Dakar granite. Price per sq m **£558**

### SINKS & TAPS

- Icerock 3352 one-and-a-half-bowl undermounted sink in stainless steel, Kohler **£591**
- Icerock 3339 single-bowl undermounted sink in stainless steel, Kohler **£192**
- Doric Trispray mixer tap in chrome, Franke **£518**
- Tec Cruciform kitchen mixer tap in chrome, Hudson Reed **£146**

### APPLIANCES (shown)

- RC1090SM dual-fuel range cooker in Storm, Mercury **£3,650**
- Aurora chimney hood, Elica **£1,067**
- PCG23GF American-style fridge freezer, GE **£2,250**

### APPLIANCES (not shown)

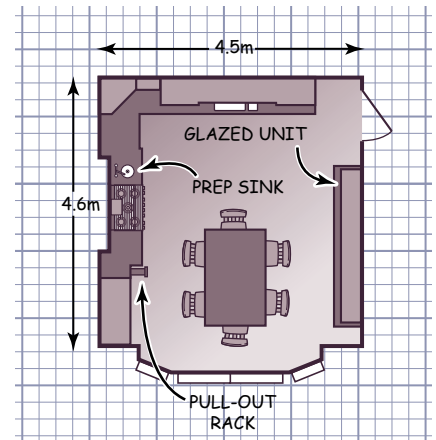
- Fully integrated dishwasher, Miele **£748**



A narrow pull-out spice drawer is conveniently positioned close to the range. The rust-coloured door knobs were supplied by Clayton Munroe

Rebecca and Jonathan Bilson's home in Surrey dates back to the mid 1800s

The main reason why the kitchen was relocated to this room was its bay window offering fine views of the garden. Frosted glass gives the dresser an up-to-date look. For a similar dining suite try Furniture Today



### GUIDE PRICE

- Starting price for a modular kitchen from Thyme for Kitchens **£13,000**

**Where to buy** Clayton Munroe 01803 865700 Elica 01252 351111 Farrow & Ball 01202 876141 Franke 0161 436 628 Furniture Today 01252 793670 GE 01908 366363 Hudson Reed 01282 418000 Kohler 0870 850 5561 Mercury 01522 881717 Miele 0845 330 3666