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teams helped prepare him to  
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“If you’re deciding where to save and where to spend, be sure to invest in really durable cabinet doors and countertops. They’re key to the look of the space, and to its function, because they take a lot of abuse.”

—JANE LOCKHART, Interior Designer, Jane Lockhart Design, Toronto, Canada

## ↓ STYLE FILE

Coming up with just the right style for your new space is easy—if you use these designer-approved tips.

### LOOK FOR PATTERNS

“As you pull pictures of different spaces or tag images online, you’ll find yourself gravitating toward the same thing over and over,” says Jane Lockhart. If every kitchen picture you save has blue tiles on the backsplash, for example, you can feel pretty secure that you’ll love that look in your own kitchen.

### BE BOLD IN SMALL DOSES

“Large-scale pattern and strong color can be very powerful,” says Minneapolis-based interior designer Billy Beson, “but it’s safer to limit them to elements that are easy to change later, like upholstery or accessories.”

### THINK “TIMELESS”

You want your design to outlast the latest trends. “The extreme ends of any spectrum—cabinet finishes, say—will go out of style faster,” says Jane Lockhart. “So instead of super dark cabinets go with a slightly warmer, but still rich look; the effect will still feel timely, but won’t look dated five years from now.” Choosing durable, long-lasting materials will help the space stand the test of time, too.

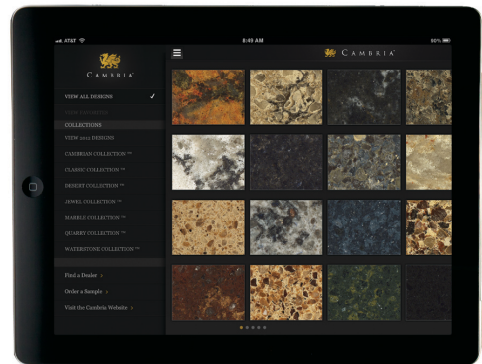
### RESPECT THE ARCHITECTURE

An ultra-contemporary kitchen will look awkwardly out of place in a home with elegant Victorian detailing everywhere else. But there are situations when you shouldn’t feel limited by the prevailing architectural style—or lack thereof—says Barry Wooley. “Some homes built in the 1980s and early 1990s have serious design issues, and the challenge there is to actually improve upon the existing architecture. That’s where you really need a designer, someone who can help you use windows and applied moldings to create character.”

Apps can be your best friends when navigating the design process. For example, Cambria’s new iPad App lets you browse the collections, compare designs side-by-side, order samples, save favorites, and share via email.

Available in the iTunes App Store by searching Cambria and selecting “Cambria Designs”.

## AN APP FOR THAT



### THE RIGHT STUFF

## Smart appliance shopping

WHEN DESIGNERS JANE LOCKHART AND BARRY WOOLEY BEGIN A KITCHEN DESIGN, they each start with the appliances. “The size and placement of the appliances determine a lot of the layout,” says Wooley. “And your cabinets are designed around the appliances,” adds Lockhart. “So you really can’t begin a project without knowing what appliances you want.” But how to decide? Just take a moment to evaluate your habits—how you use your current kitchen and how you hope to use the new space. Note what you don’t like about the appliances you have

now, and what you do—and any features you always find yourself wishing for (another dishwasher? a convection oven setting?) Then, shop around. Read online reviews and reliability reports on the products you’re considering, and don’t feel you have to buy by brand: mix and match manufacturers to come up with a combination of top-rated appliances, with the features you want at prices you can afford. “Appliances are a smart place to trim your budget,” notes Lockhart. “You can get a sleek, high-end look and great performance for a lot less than you may think.”



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# PERFECT PLANNING

Make sure your design project runs smoothly by following our tips for selecting a style, choosing colors, working with professionals, and more.

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Whether you're remodeling, redecorating, or designing from scratch, a strong plan at the beginning of the project is the best way to ensure your happiness at the finish. If you're working with a design studio or with an interior designer—or, ideally, both—the professionals involved will help you come up with a comprehensive plan that covers everything from budget to color scheme. Handling the details yourself? You can still benefit from the experts' expertise. Their top tip? "Be honest with yourself," says interior designer Barry Wooley of Louisville, KY. "Try to separate what you need and want from what you just want." Toronto designer Jane Lockhart agrees: "You need to figure out how you'll use the space, and who will use it—right down to the family pets." Next, gather ideas. Pull pages from magazines, make online idea files (see some helpful resources below), and snap pictures everywhere. Don't be afraid to seek help. Visiting local design studios and showrooms are a great way to see materials in person, find creative design ideas, and get expert input.

## WHERE TO BEGIN

Get inspiration and organize your favorite images and product picks using these helpful online resources.

**1**  
**HOZZ**  
Get your creative juices flowing by searching this huge online database of home photos. You can save your favorites in an online "ideabook," ask the active community for advice, and even connect with professionals.  
*Houzz.com*

**2**  
**PINTEREST**  
Use this virtual pinboard to organize all the beautiful things you find online. An easy-to-install "pin-it" button makes it quick to import your likes to your own idea board—or search other pinners' boards for fresh perspectives.  
*Pinterest.com*

**3**  
**POLYVORE**  
See exactly how the green glass tiles you fell in love with will look against the walnut cabinets you just spec'd by creating your own online mood board using this super-simple drag-and-drop tool.  
*Polyvore.com*

**4**  
**HOME PORTFOLIO**  
With over one million high-end products from 2,200 manufacturers and 100 retailers, Home Portfolio's database makes quick work of the sometimes-daunting task of shopping for home goods.  
*Homeportfolio.com*

**5**  
**REMODELISTA**  
Design blog-turned-mega-resource, Remodelista offers everything from news on the latest, hippest accessories to city shopping guides and a selection of carefully chosen products for purchase.  
*Remodelista.com*

**6**  
**CAMBRIA**  
Create a virtual dream board of your Cambria designs. Mix and match finishes and Benjamin Moore paint colors designer-selected for each Cambria color. It's a great tool to organize, share, and try your inspirations on for size.  
*cambriusa.com/dream-board*