



KITCHEN CASE STUDY



INFORMAL AIR

The owners of this Sussex farmhouse fell for our Metallics collection after spotting it in a magazine. As a result, they came into the studio and declared it was exactly what they had been seeking; something informal and eclectic, relaxed but interesting. One owner works in an auction house, so loves antiques, and they both enjoy entertaining - there's a 12-seat dining table just beyond the island.

TEXTURAL TOUCH

On the base of the breakfast cupboard and also on the tall unit that hosts the ovens, we introduced our Choppy Water finish. This is oak that has been hand carved by one of our artisans into a pattern that represents the natural undulations of water. It lends an interesting, deep texture to our cabinetry. The oak is stained dark, with accents picked out in gold-leaf appliqué.

SOURCEBOOK

The Metallics kitchen starts from £50,000; Valdena antiqued mirror splashbacks, £450sq m, Ledbury Studio. Arabesque Quartz worktops and integrated sink, £840sq m installed, Stone Italiana. H7260 BP Pureline single oven, £1,449; DGC7440 Pureline XL steam combination oven, £2,499; KM7575 FR induction hob, £1,949; G7150 SCVi fully integrated dishwasher, £1,249, all Miele. Heaven 2.0 SLIM ceiling extractor, from £1,265, Faber. Cascata Square Spout Copper-and-Black mixer tap, £230, The 1810 Company. ICBN3386 Premium integrated fridge freezer, £2,299, Liebherr.

■ Charlie Smallbone has been pushing kitchen design boundaries for more than 40 years, first as founder of the iconic brand Smallbone of Devizes and now as the driving force behind Ledbury Studio. Established in 2019, this Notting Hill-based company focuses on kitchens that harness the beauty of original materials without neglecting function and ease, utilising the skills of artisan craftsmen.