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Kitchen trends are a tricky thing. You want the heart of your home to look stylish, but you don't want to invest in a design that's soon going to date. *Wildflower* asked the masters of kitchen design for their thoughts on the latest long-lasting trends for 2020

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IT'S ALL IN THE DETAILS:

how handles can transform a space

**Tom Howley, Creative Design
Director at Tom Howley Kitchens**

"Polished chrome handles and hinges punctuate a matte finish, serving as adornments and balancing the space. Using metallic handles to offset a matte-finished kitchen will bring it to life.

I think that the single most underrated element of the overall

design process of a kitchen is the positioning of the handles — it's an incredibly important and largely overlooked element of kitchen design. There is no particular format; no supporting geometrical theorems. It is intuitive for me and my designers."

**The Hartford collection in
Loveage, from £20,000,
tomhowley.co.uk**

METALLICS:

shine some light

Charlie Smallbone,
founder, Ledbury Studio

"Metallics came to the forefront in kitchens last year and I see this continuing for some time yet. What's important, though, is that the metallics used are not just there for the sake of it or because they add a bit of design edge, but are executed properly. The trend, for me, is metals in the kitchen that look good, have a reason to be there and will last."

Ledbury Studio kitchens
start from £50,000,
ledburystudio.com

