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MODERN RUSTIC RANCH KITCHEN

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What was the most difficult challenge of this project?

The architectural layout in the kitchen made for some unique angles in which to design, making space-planning the biggest challenge to overcome. Doors and large accordion windows contribute to lack of space for storage. With many needed zones, including prep, cooking, cleanup, entertaining, and eating, square footage disappeared rapidly.

How did you resolve it?

Spice cabinets were hidden within the range wall. Drawer appliances were tucked in the island. By borrowing space from the pantry, we nestled the entertainment bar nearest to the great room and concealed it with pocket doors. The island was enlarged by a reclaimed slab to provide a convenient eating area.

What was your favorite aspect of this project?

Lighting is inherently tricky but designing solutions for the two-story ceilings and window-filled walls was enjoyable. The client was open to interesting fixtures and layered solutions, incorporating uplights highlighting architectural trusses, wall sconces to provide task lighting near the window-facing sink, and a dramatic chandelier above the island.