

Lafayette Juniors Kitchen Tour Cooks Up Delicious Designs

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The maple cabinets are painted a creamy Cottage Lace and are accented with bronze hardware. Dark gray Neolith countertops line the edge of the kitchen while the large center island has a Burmese teak top with a hazelnut finish. The backsplash and wall space above the counters feature cream-colored 2x4 subway tiles, which are smaller than traditional subway tiles and add a bit of texture to the space.

Contemporary touches like a stainless steel farmhouse sink and industrial-style metal barstools give the kitchen a modern edge while still maintaining its warm, rustic feel.

“We wanted something light and bright but cozy,” says Blocker, who said that the size and functionality were what she liked most about her kitchen.

These two kitchens will be featured on this year’s tour along with four other homes located in Happy Valley, Reliez Valley, Hidden Oaks and the Trail neighborhood of Lafayette.

Tickets for the tour are available for sale to the general public for \$40 (\$35 tax deductible). Tickets can be purchased online at www.lafayettejuniors.org or at Premier Kitchens, 3373 Mt. Diablo Blvd., in Lafayette.

Proceeds from this year’s Kitchen Tour will go to support Lafayette Juniors’ four non-profit beneficiaries: Youth Homes, Diablo Ballet’s PEEK Outreach Program, the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano, and Lamorinda Spirit Van. These organizations were selected for the exceptional support they provide to children, families and seniors in need throughout the East Bay.

Founded in 1953, Lafayette Juniors is a non-profit organization made up of local women dedicated to raising funds and supporting other non-profits that serve children, families, and seniors in need throughout Contra Costa and neighboring counties in the San Francisco area.



Above, the “Farmhouse Chic” look of the Blocker Kitchen. Below, the Peterson’s kitchen is Pottery Barn-ready. Photos Todd Taylor Photography

