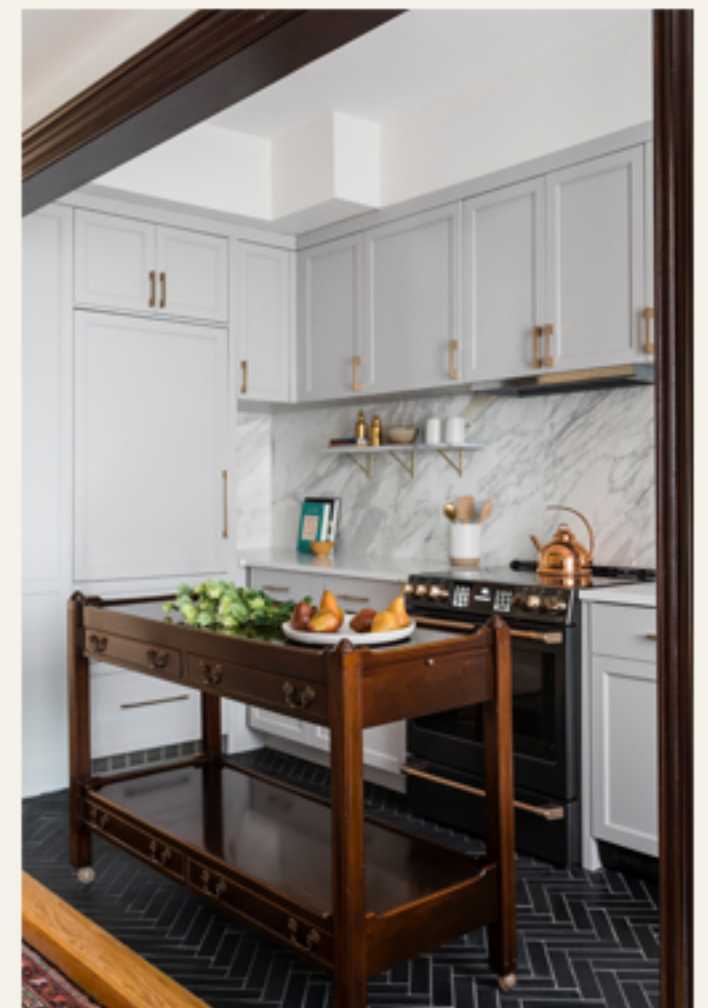


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5. Don't Be Afraid of Rattan



It can be challenging to land on the perfect bar stool material when there are so many elevated options on the market, but Lindsey Crowley, the founder of [Lindsey Crowley Interiors](#), is quick to cite a timeless pick. "[Rattan](#) stools will never be dated in my opinion," she says. "The popularity of wicker and rattan ebbs and flows, but at the end of the day, natural wovens are forever."

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6. Lay Down a Vintage Runner



When a rug has already survived for decades, if not significantly longer, you can have faith that it will continue to hold up nicely in your home for years to come. "I love a vintage runner in the kitchen because they only look better with age," Crowley says. Better yet, these can be sourced affordably on sites like Etsy and are often quick to ship, even from sellers based abroad.

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7. Mix and Match



Designing your kitchen to feature elements from different time eras is a smart move that “keeps things from being stuck in one single moment in time,” Crowley explains. The room will never read as “so 2015” or “too 2025.” Even choosing the right accent pieces is critical in achieving this effect. “The bright [blue](#) splatterware, despite its 19th century English origins, flaunt a coastal vibe in this kitchen,” Crowley says.

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