

OPEN AND SHUT CASE

For a bungalow at Bilimora, Gujarat, architect Amit Shastri was asked to create a kitchen for a large family where two or more children and pets could use the space to socialise and spend time together. So Shastri created a modern, open kitchen. "The special feature of this metallic, glass finish kitchen is the Z-shape counter that acts as both a divider and a counter," says the architect adding, "Another interesting aspect is the storage that has been divided into two. One part can be accessed from the inside and the other from outside." As for the size; it is a 275 sq ft by 110 sq ft space with a store and a washing area.

FACT CHECK

"When designing a kitchen bear in mind the family's lifestyle, routine, interests in cooking and interaction priorities. Focus on storage, lighting, colour palette, ventilation and appliances that can weather rigorous daily workouts. The quality needs to stand the test of time."



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The Z-shape counter acts as a room divider and hides storage; an ariel view of the kitchen (above)