



Ahead of the curve

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Atypical shapes and curved lines promote movement in this loft apartment kitchen, while varying textures and patterns create a refined, modern feel

of curves is one way to promote flow and movement between different areas, with the kitchen acting as a central node.

Entertaining was an important element of the brief given to architect Jeff Sweitzer by the owners of this loft. A previous design in the same site had marked out rooms in a more traditional box-like manner. For the current owners, grown up children meant there wasn't a great above the kitchen area. This shape is right.

Even in a space as expansive as a loft need for many bedrooms, and as they apartment, the kitchen is a popular place often entertained clients at home, the to gather. In an open-plan design, the use whole apartment had to seem open to move through.

"Shaping suggests the intent for movement. The kitchen island curves slightly, echoing the line of the floor. The ceiling also follows this line, so you are drawn to move through the spaces," says Sweitzer.

The walls around the kitchen do not reach the apartment ceiling. A lower ceiling in an elliptical shape is suspended

Preceding pages and above left: The owners loft apartment wanted a space where they co entertain clients. An open-plan design with a of curved shapes helps to suggest movemen promote interaction between people in differ

Above: An avid baker of petite stature, one of owners of this apartment requested the cust made low countertop on the left. It is made marble, which creates a cool surface for knew dough. The kitchen sink has been seamlessly welded into the stainless steel counter on the