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French windows at the end of the kitchen allow the warm summer sun to flood inside. The couple's classic kitchen features worktops of honed Bon Accord granite with Lime White and Pigeon Grey painted oak cabinetry.



The old stone fireplace was unblocked and now houses a gas-fire designed to resemble a wood burner. Sitting on top are Margaret's collection of painted metal chickens.

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stylish as well as functional,' he explains. The Owens decided to include French windows at the end of the kitchen to let in as much light as possible. 'We had to create an opening for them in the exceptionally thick stone walls before installing our redwood pine door combination,' says Sean.

'As the room was so spacious we decided to have a large central island to suit the proportions of the area and to provide lots of practical surfaces' says Margaret. 'It is big enough to contain both our Mercury range cookers and two wine coolers,' she explains. At the far end by the French windows is a convenient breakfast bar section made from a semi-circle of oak.

The couple also chose stylish honed Bon Accord granite worktops and splashbacks for their long lasting qualities as well as a classic farmhouse double ceramic sink.

'The whole project - from knocking the walls down to installing the kitchen - took just six weeks,' says Margaret. 'And we're delighted to have created such a pretty pleasant room from what had been a rather dreary annexe.'

STOCKISTS INFORMATION

APPLIANCES

Bosch SGV53E03GB integrated dishwasher, £445; Bosch KUR15A40GB under counter integrated fridge, £325; two Baumatic BT2745SS range cookers, £950 each; two Baumatic BWTE42 wine coolers, £245 each, all from Sabin Designs. Gas-fired stove, £1,000, at B & M Johnson Kitchens and Bathrooms.

FIXTURES AND FURNISHINGS

Hand-built kitchen units and island, £30,000 (inc £1,060 for mobile unit incorporating 2 x 60 litre bins and 2 x wicker baskets); Villeroy & Boch farmhouse double apron fronted sink, £458; Perrin & Rowe brushed nickel plate finish tap, £460, all from Sabin Designs. Honed Bon Accord granite

worktops and splashbacks, £6,500, from M.E Damsells. Lighting, £150, at Malvern Studios. Limestone flooring, £2,000, from Bradstone Paving.

FURNITURE AND ACCESSORIES

Wooden pew; two Windsor chairs; other kitchen chairs; chicken print, all from Brightwells Auctions. Blinds, £170 each; curtains, £300 a pair, all from County Furnishings in Worcester. Painted metal chickens, from £20, at Oak Church farm shop. Kettle, £25, at Morphy Richards. Fruit bowl, £10; Dualit food mixer, £150, both from Nesbitts Caterers.

**All prices are approximate. For stockists, see page 162.*



Left The new French doors open out onto the front of the property, giving the kitchen a beautiful view over the old Baskerville family estate.

Right Buff Orpingtons enjoy roaming around the gorgeous grounds.

