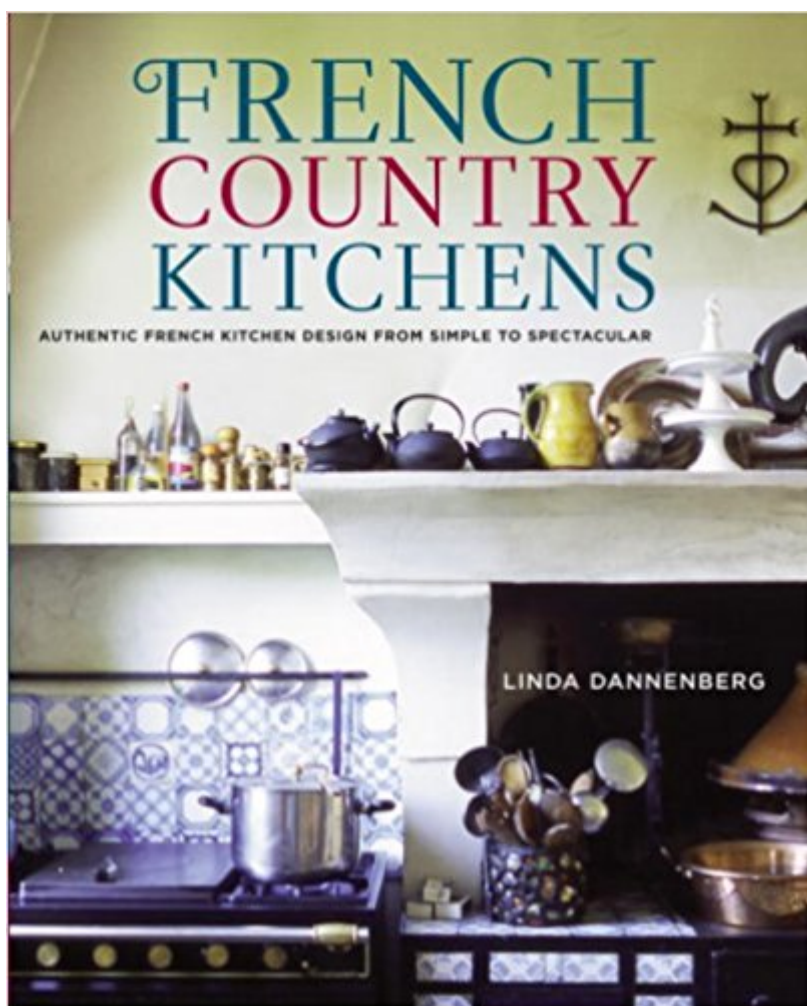


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# French Country Kitchens: Authentic French Kitchen Design From Simple To Spectacular



## Synopsis

“When I think back on all the homes I’ve visited in the French countryside and I’ve visited hundreds over the last twenty-five years it is almost always the kitchens I remember most clearly and recall with the most affection. From the introduction The kitchen is truly the heart of the home, and nowhere is this exemplified with more style and personality than in France. Distinguished by striking craftsmanship, bold colors, and vintage accents, the French country kitchen—whether a rustic retreat or an urban oasis—is always unique and inviting. In this beautiful celebration of France’s real-life kitchens, French style authority Linda Dannenberg invites us into dozens of kitchens that capture the spirit of their regions, carefully examining the design, the priorities of the owners, and the details—from color palettes to collectibles—that create inviting, functional, and personal spaces. You’ll visit a remarkable new “eighteenth-century” kitchen in the heart of Paris’s old garment district designed entirely with elements dating from the 1700s; an airy, open family kitchen in a Provençal house that was once a grain mill; a dramatic kitchen, bold in color and scale, in an elegant farmhouse in Saint-Rémy-de-Provence; a romantic country kitchen, illuminated by a Palladian-style window from an old abbey, in a welcoming village surrounded by the farmland of the Île-de France; and a casual Parisian space—once an atelier occupied by Pablo Picasso—featuring a kitchen with subtle, restrained mosaics. Distinctive elements that characterize these welcoming spaces are examined in depth, from tile work to the French way with color. You’ll even find recipes that capture the spirit of the French kitchen. With an extensive directory of sources, more than 200 full-color photographs, and evocative text highlighting a bounty of original ideas, French Country Kitchens is a lush and inspiring guide to re-creating a little corner of France in the heart of your own home.

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Linda Dannenberg, a leading authority on French style, is the author of numerous books on French design and cuisine, including *New French Country* and *Paris Bistro Cooking*. She also contributes to many publications, among them *Town and Country* and *Travel + Leisure*. She lives in New York. Guy Bouchet is one of France's most esteemed life-style photographers; his work illustrates *New French Country*, *Paris Bistro Cooking*, and *Paris Boulangerie-Pâtisserie*. His photographs also appear frequently in *Architectural Digest* and *Elle Decor*. He lives in Paris and Burgundy.

Lots of pictures, recipes ... I love it! I'm building a mid-century French Dollhouse Kitchen and wanted pictorial material. Looking at everything from walls, floors, stove surrounds, ovens, cabinets, sinks to dishes, pottery and utensils. This gave me everything! I was mainly focused on the interiors, the recipes are a bonus. They show you vintage utensils, stone sinks, etc.

Great photos, kitchens, layouts, tables. Nicely written descriptions, and a source guide in the Appends covering France and the States. Covers kitchens with particular themes: farmhouse; urban; rustic; and others. Includes discussions on Colors, Tile work, design, accessories. The recipes look wonderful too, and I'm anxious to try some. A wonderful book, highly recommended, and one that will be at-hand on my design shelf. Linda's other books are very good too.

Lovely photos, interesting reading and some nice recipes worth trying. I highly recommend if you are thinking about creating your own French/Euro kitchen anywhere in the world. This book will definitely give you the basic ideas and looks to begin your project.

The book itself is full of great authentic kitchens.....however I guess I missed in the description that it was a discard from the library. It has discard stamped on the sides and glue and tears on the inside cover....disappointing for such a lovely book. \$20 is alot for a library discard that usually is free.

Having travelled a great deal all over France, this book was a trip down memory lane. The kitchens shown in this book, are just as I remembered them while in France.

Love.Linda.Danaan's.desk.calendars...have.ordered.one.many.years....this.book.is.equally.as.infor  
mative.and.has.windows.into.French.kitchens.and.lifestyles.

beautiful photos of wonderful French kitchens!

As the book states "Authentic French Kitchen Design from Simple to Spectacular." Plus a lot more...recipes, and many kitchen designs that anyone could achieve. I lean more toward the simple French kitchen, where all you need is a stove, sink, country table and a hutch and you have the basic ingredients for a French kitchen. Now if you need ideas to accessories your French kitchen then this book is a must have.

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