

Dark Wood

KITCHENS FOR UNDER £5K

Dark woods are a great way to give your kitchen an instant feel of richness. Helena Clark explains how to get the best look – on a modest budget.

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Option One



Neil Lerner enjoys mixing materials in his designs, gaining maximum visual effect through contrasting glass, stone and steel. This is his Tobacco Oak kitchen in which he's used light to create a dramatic focal point in what could have been a gloomy room. The lightbox shelves cast halos onto the timber units while also illuminating the glassware on them. The one dark wall (clad here in matching oak) contrasts with the lighter blue in the rest of the room, and discreet inset lights are hidden on the underside of wall mounted cabinets. 600mm base units start from £190. Approximate cost of fitted kitchen units: £2,508 www.neillerner.com 020 7034 4920