

NAME DROPPING



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1-Quack, quack

Says famed Finnish interior designer Eero Aarnio of his Duck Timer for Alessi, "The idea of a bird figure used as an egg timer is a familiar concept because of the natural association between the two. My idea was to bring a fun and modern touch to this concept, and design an egg timer that would go well in any kitchen and maybe even brighten up a rainy day!" Available in yellow, black or white. alessi.com

2-All in one

Boffi's On/Off mono-block kitchen has been tweaked and refined, offering a more flexible design. The unique worktop area is concealed by folding doors, which open upward electronically. Designed by Alberto Colonello, On/Off can be complet-

ed using taller modular units (mounted on the floor) and with other standard kitchen units (such as large-style North American refrigerators). The self-standing structure is made of 40mm-thick melamine-coated panels covered in white laminate. boffi.com

3-Italian dressing

Diesel and Scavolini, two key proponents of Italian style worldwide, have joined forces to create the modern and modular Diesel Social Kitchen. It's characterized by large sizes and simple, natural materials – wood, steel and glass – aged with special vintage treatments and processed together with metal. Shown here: a straight-line composition with tall fridge unit and base units of oak, in Indigo Tempera. scavolini.com

4-Perfect fit

Bulthaup's award-winning b3 drawer-organization system is based on simple linear planes, functional prisms and high-quality accessories. Each drawer interior is fitted with notched wood planes (available in five different woods, laid vertically or horizontally), into which the user can insert metal prisms and containers, wood knife blocks, glass jars, plates and storage containers – all easily changed at will. bulthaup.com