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Modern country

20 Part of the renovation of a relatively new home, this kitchen in Victoria's Yarra Valley is the reinvention of an existing space that no longer suited a growing family. The use of materials and colour are impactful, creating "a tension between old and new country", says designer Chelsea Hing. Mutina by Patricia Urquiola 'Tierras Industrial' tiles in earthy tones are laid in patterns on the walls and the 3.5m island benchtop, with sculptural lighting for pizzazz and saddle-leather furniture for softness. The use of sandblasted timber and mesh-fronted cupboards references rustic farmhouse traditions.



Room notes 20 'Tierras Industrial' tiles, Urban Edge Ceramics. Kstone benchtop in Kart, Stone Italiana. Potfiller tap (at left), Canterbury Sink & Tap. 'Icon' mixer, Astra Walker. 'Workstead' wall lamp (at left), Luke Furniture. 'Goya' picture light, ECC Lighting+Furniture. Pendant light, Anaesthetic. Bar stools and dining chairs, Douglas & Bec. 21 Tapware and towel rack, The English Tapware Company. Devon & Devon 'Celine' bath, Candana Bathroomware. Mosaics, Di Lorenzo Tiles. Floor tiles, Onsite Supply+Design.



Alexandra Donohoe Church

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Balancing act

21 The starting point for this serene Sydney bathroom was an unusual one: the Art Nouveau-style aged-brass tapware and towel rack. It melded the homeowners' respective desires for, on the one hand, traditional detailing and a soft colour palette and, on the other, an industrial edge. Designer Alexandra Donohoe Church dressed the room with masculine joinery and floor tiles balanced with touches of femininity in the glorious mother-of-pearl mosaics and pink suede stool. The curves of the bath, vanity and mirror and the use of marble are perfection. "I love how luxurious and textural the room is," says happy owner Lucie. ▶



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