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KIPS BAY  
**SHOWHOUSE**  
KITCHEN

COOK'S GARDEN  
IN MORRIS COUNTY





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# A PLUM assignment

Fresh color and pattern modernize a classically inspired kitchen designed by Eve Robinson for the Kips Bay Decorator Show House

"PURPLE IS A 'WOW' COLOR," SAYS DESIGNER EVE ROBINSON. "PEOPLE tend to have a gut reaction to it. It's a love-hate relationship in theory, but in practice—especially when it's muddled and used in combination with a lot of white, as it is here—purple works as an appealing neutral, and a nice surprise." Robinson and her team at Eve Robinson Associates used shades of purple in combination with fresh greens and silvered grays in the kitchen of the most recent Kips Bay Decorator Show House, an early-20th-century limestone town house steeped in classical details. To modernize the space, and tie it in with the garden visible through the room's oversized windows, Robinson added a dose of whimsy to the mix: purple wallpaper "striped" with a pattern evocative of the DNA helix; hollow zig-zag stools by Tucker Robbins; and a custom brass Sputnik-inspired chandelier from Venfield over a decidedly modern dining table. "Kitchen renovations are a big deal," says Robinson. "They are time-consuming and expensive, which makes people afraid of making mistakes. But the rooms we live in should be comfort-

## purple PASSION

A brass Sputnik chandelier from Venfield floats above the dining area's Char dining table from BDDW. Anziano dining chairs from Donghia. A purple-upholstered settee, positioned a few steps away from the back door, provides extra seating during and between meals. *Kusho* # 7 by Shinichi Maruyama, Bruce Silverstein Gallery, hangs above the fireplace designed by Eve Robinson.

