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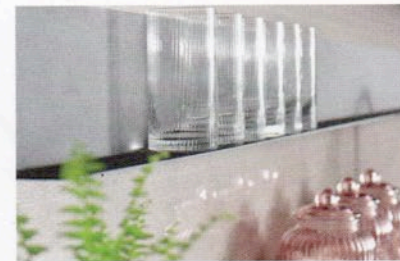
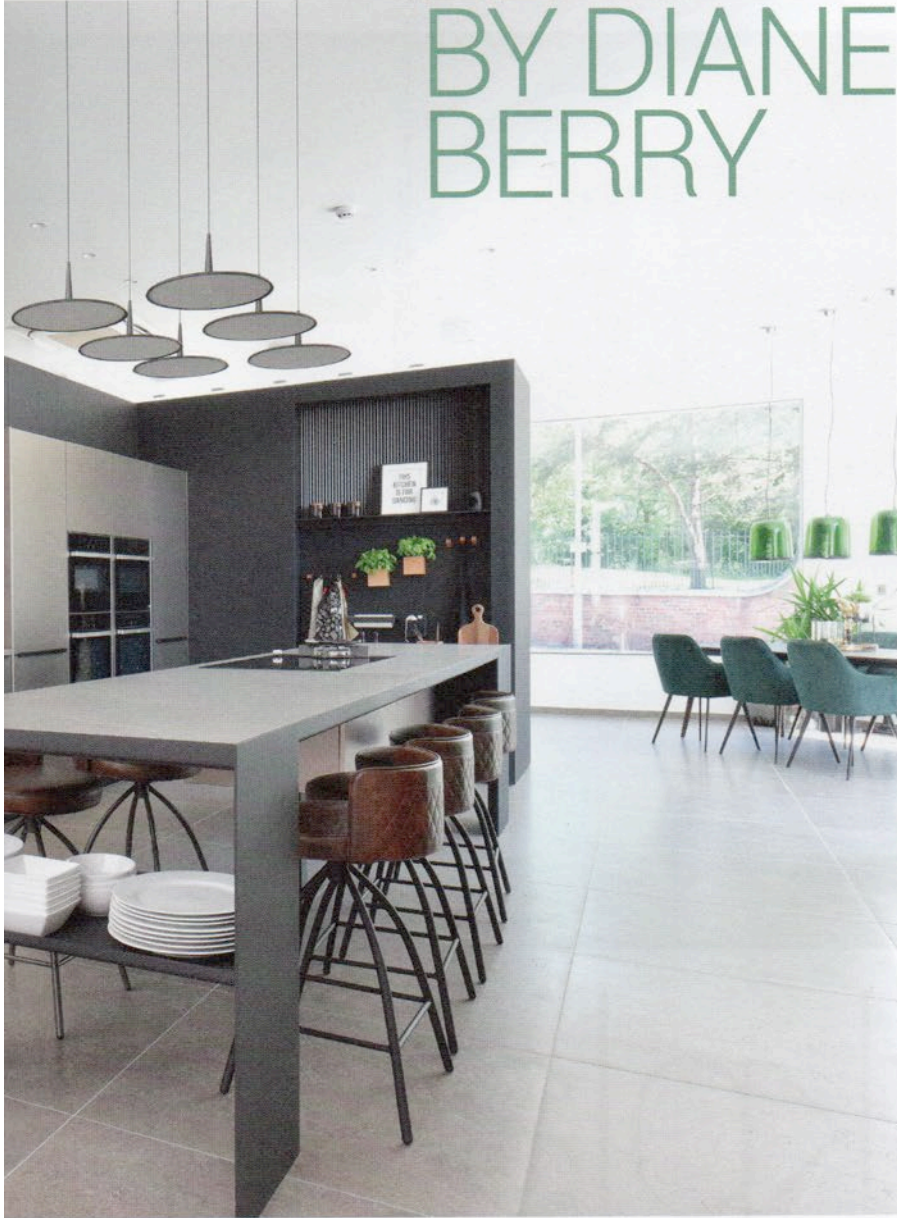
Kitchen designer Diane Berry has relocated to a new purpose-designed studio just around the corner from the site she has traded from for the last 18 years. This new studio features two brands of kitchen furniture: Alno, a product she has worked with since taking her first design course back in 1981; and Eggersmann. These two brands offer German engineering with an emphasis on bespoke as they will allow Berry's team to come up with one-off pieces which they can produce. It enables designs to be created with a choice of carcass colours and various drawer boxes along with units made to exact dimensions that go beyond the more limited range of options often seen with German furniture.

This studio uses a range of contrasting designs and textures to draw visitors through the space, with a wall of trophies and certificates showcasing the extensive and high-level track record of the company. Of the new studio, Berry said: "I wanted to have displays that were not full of product samples and brochures. We came from a tiny studio where sadly this was our only option. Now we have a materials library which is full of door, worktop, tile, glass and handle samples along with wallpaper books. It's such a fun space and leaves the studio clear for others to wander freely without interrupting the creative process when clients and designers are pulling together their mood boards."

She added that the space has been designed to ensure every type of unit and appliance is on display, from split-level dishwasher to stacked washer dryer. "We also invested in drains and pipe runs so each and every display works, which means we can now do cookery events with all our displays allowing us to actively promote Miele, Neff and Siemens as our chosen appliance partners."



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