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PAST MEETS PRESENT WHEN AN OUT-OF-DATE IKEA KITCHEN GETS AN UP-TO-THE-MOMENT OVERHAUL.

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**The problem:** The kitchen in Colleen Shaver and Jeff Anichini's Bala, Ont., home had definitely outlived its welcome. The white Ikea cabinets, more than 10 years old, didn't provide adequate storage. The original granite, considered by the renovator a dark stain, was particularly getting to Colleen, who loves to bake. "The kitchen just didn't fit with the rest of Colleen and Jeff's home, which is much more traditional," explains Jeff's sister, Stephanie White, who assisted with the redesign.

**The solution:** The better than free-to-use cabinet in this kitchen had one major flaw: Working closely with the interior designers, Stephanie and the homeowners chose up with a bright, clean, modern design. The new cabinets are made of white-painted, solid wood and feature a mix of glass-fronted upper cabinets and solid wood lower cabinets. The homeowners also added a breakfast bar and a new island with a built-in sink and dishwasher. The peninsula was lowered and the granite was replaced with a quartz.

**ABOVE:** Deck out the kitchen with the handsome granite, and create more cabinet space with the island. The island is a great place to eat, and the granite is a great choice for a busy kitchen. The new granite is a great choice for a busy kitchen. The new granite is a great choice for a busy kitchen. The new granite is a great choice for a busy kitchen.

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