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DISAPPEARING ACT

*Packed into a small space,
kitchen is discreetly out of view*



AT A GLANCE

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Paper Hill,
Montreal

PROJECT.

A sleek white lacquered kitchen in an urban loft. Designed by Carl Lapointe of Eurosystems.

SPECS.

White lacquer cabinetry in the Alineal collection from Eurosystems. Island in statuario marble and stainless steel. Stools: Plank. Miele dishwasher. Smeg wall oven. AEG European fridge. AEG cooktop. Glass range hood from Eurosystems.



STATUARIO MARBLE, STAINLESS STEEL AND seamless white lacquered cupboards are the key design components in this loft kitchen, designed by Carl Lapointe.

He was commissioned by a homeowner, an avid art collector, who asked that his kitchen be functional and beautiful. The homeowner wanted the comforts of a modern kitchen packed into a small space without compromising on the design. And he didn't want it to be visible.

Not an easy task but one that Lapointe took on with verve.

"Setting up the kitchen took quite a bit of planning," says Lapointe, but once they came to an agreement for the overall design of the loft, the kitchen followed easily. The white lacquered cabinets are all components of the Alineal collection from Eurosystems, which Lapointe imports and which he adapted to meet the client's needs. At two feet wide, the cabinets are narrow

enough to create a streamlined effect. The handles, also lacquered, are seamlessly connected with the cupboard fronts. "They are almost invisible" says Lapointe.

One side of the kitchen contains cabinets that open to reveal a countertop made of statuario marble, a stainless steel backsplash, an AEG cooktop and a frosted-glass-fronted hood, also from Eurosystems. The hood has two directional lights that shine onto the preparation and cooking area and five hidden lights to add ambiance.

The cabinets below the cooktop house pots and pans. The AEG fridge is concealed behind a lacquered panel.

The island is divided into two distinct areas. The utility side, clad in statuario marble wraps around the sides for "a monolithic effect," says Lapointe. It holds an undermount sink, Miele dishwasher and Smeg wall oven. The stainless steel side is used as a bar for entertaining. Compact and beautiful, this kitchen defines discretion. 🍷

Lacquered cabinet doors open to reveal the cooktop and range hood of this loft kitchen. The doors can be closed to hide the stove when the homeowner is not using it.