

## SUSTAINABLE KITCHEN REMODEL AND STAIRS



- Wall removed for better circulation, ventilation and daylighting (and views); light quality constantly changes with highly colored walls
- Low-VOC Sherwin Williams paints reduced off-gassing for better air quality
- Replaced all cabinetry with sustainable units with low-VOC finish
- Energy Star Kitchenaid appliances use less energy – old appliances were recycled
- Replaced lighting with dimmable fixtures and halogen unit, different switches
- Salvaged trim and some floor boards were re-used
- Original plumbing connections and venting were retained
- Removed wall-to-wall area of carpet and replaced with easy-to-clean surfaces
- Wool area rugs added with non-toxic rug pads
- Installed durable, easy-to-clean granite countertops
- This remodel cost *one-third* the estimate received from one builder
- Removed carpet from stairs, installed hardwood tread, slate risers, removed wall, added stainless cable railing
- Hardwood floors refinished with sanding, stain and low-VOC varnish
- Vinyl replaced with Marmoleum in utility room
- Cabinetry from sustainably-managed forests, with non-toxic adhesives and finishes

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