



**This lakefront kitchen** was designed by well-known Charlotte kitchen and bath designer Caren Bistany of Caren Bistany Designs. The kitchen truly served as the heart of the home for the client as the homeowner is an avid cook. "We really worked on all the details to really fit her style, her storage needs and cooking needs," explains Caren. "Once she chose the AGA stove, we designed the whole kitchen around it." It was a bit of a challenging space because of the long and narrow shape, but Caren worked closely with designer David Smith to create cabinetry that not only complemented the color scheme but provided plenty of functionality for a cook's kitchen. "The space really lent itself best to a banquet table," says Caren. "And in the end, it added a bit of great drama to the kitchen look as well." A grill off to the side was also a key feature with its own area and panels behind it that open up for storage. The goal was achieved in this design, with a clean aesthetic that was also warm and welcoming.

