

# Surface Scene

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## LINCOLNSHIRE HOUSE

A contemporary home pays homage to natural elements

## BARKITECTURE

Designing with pet centric elements in mind

## INTEGRATED PULLS

Stream lining design to maintain a contemporary look



Surrounded by the lush greenery, natural elements drives the design of this modern home. The use of engineered wood veneer throughout, provides a warmth to the space while optimizing the opportunity to use sustainable alternatives to our natural wood resources.

The cabinetry, island table and other woodwork in the house were custom crafted by Bendt Kitchen and Millwork to the owner's desire to use environmentally responsible materials. The contrast of raw materials were paired with warm woods to give the home a graceful yet simplistic look. With this method, the home was able to be in tune with it's natural surroundings and be at the forefront of a sustainable approach.

**Project:** Lincolnshire House

**Architect:** SMPL Design Studio, Ontario

**Interior Designer:** Considerate Goods

**Location:** Toronto Ontario

**Products:** Echo Wood, Unilin Evola



According to ASPCA (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) 1 in 5 households acquired a new pet since the beginning of COVID-19.

Employees are spending more time working from home. However, having new pets can pose its challenges when space is limited.

Awareness of animal well-being has never been higher and now designers are designing with both the human and pet experience in mind. The new craze to incorporate designated pet zones into homes has gotten more common while specifying materials that keep a pet at ease in commercial spaces are now being considered.

## **BARKITECTURE THE NEW WAVE OF PET CENTRIC DESIGN**





When designing for pets, there are two key factors: style and function. Spaces that once were “dead zones” in a home are now being used as designated spots for pets such as pet food bowls built into the millwork and kennels that serves also as the countertop space. Specifying scratch and stain resistance materials is key to integrating your fido’s living situation when introducing them to a new surrounding.

For some animal lovers, pets have become like family members and designing a multisensory space for our pets will make them feel more at ease. Commercial spaces are now incorporating slip resistant flooring which can prevent puppies and cats from sliding around when trying to learn how to walk. Studies have also shown that white walls and fluorescent lightings have negative impact on pets. Implementing soft wood tones and warm lighting in common areas can help destress a dog without having to compromise the aesthetic of the space.



*a seamless european look*

## INTEGRATED PULLS

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Hardware has always been a functional need that expanded to become an element of design to cabinetry. Seamless cabinetry has been a trend that offers a pure and minimal European look.

An integrated pull, also known as a fingerless pull is incorporated into the cabinet to create a clean, elegant and clutter free aesthetic. This can be as simple as a beveled edge or a routed J-pull onto the sides of the cabinet. The recessed space between the cabinet and drawer can also be accented with a metal finish or edge banded to match the face of the cabinets.



The creativity of the integrated pulls is limitless. It can be used as a design feature to elevate the look of an architectural element and provides the flexibility to be used both horizontally or vertically to provide a sophisticated yet streamlined look.