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Sheila Bridges' Kitchen

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The window treatments are a signature Bridges touch—"classic roman shades are my favorites," she says.

New York designer Sheila Bridges has a flair for creating highly original spaces and was recognized by the late and lamented Domino magazine (*ciao bella*), back in 2007, with a feature on her country home.

The Bridges kitchen has several unique features, chief among them the "Harlem Toile de Jouy" wallpaper, a modernized print of her own design in a bright yellow variation on the kitchen walls. "Harlem toile de Jouy tells a rich yet satirical story about African-American life through the often distorted lens of the media. I designed it to remind people of many of the stereotypes that have historically been and continue to be associated with African-Americans living in rural parts of the country as well as urban areas like Harlem," says Bridges' statement about the design on the [Studio Printworks](#) website.

The "Florentine Floral" floor cloth, another of her creations from [Smith Floorworks](#), links the kitchen colors to the vivid green-blue hue, called Arsenic (from Farrow and Ball) used in the adjacent room.

Otherwise, the kitchen is relatively straight forward: white perimeter cabinets, white subway tile backsplash, gray-green island cabinet to blend with the gray floor, and marble counters throughout. There is a Viking Pro-style range.

The dominant wallpaper eliminates the need for upper cabinets. Instead, a cheeky white cuckoo clock (below) by uber designer Tord Boontje, adorns one kitchen wall (below). Adjacent, over-the-sink windows are covered with handsome Roman shades made of [George Spencer Designs'](#) "Lucy in the Sky" fabric. A trio of stylish "Star Flush" ceiling lights (from a favorite source, [Hudson Home](#), in Hudson, NY) further contribute to the perfect design pitch of Bridges' kitchen. (Source: Domino, May 2007)



Tord Boontje's ornate cuckoo clock, mounted on wallpaper (Bridges' own design), is an extra layer of decorative flourish. "I really identify with the way he gives country motifs an urban twist," she says.

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