

SUBJ: FEATURE



A BEVVY OF BEAUTY

WHILE PLANNING OUT A NEW KITCHEN FOR THIS DOWNTOWN CONDOMINIUM, ONE OF THE PRIORITIES FOR OUR CLIENTS WAS AN EASILY ACCESSIBLE BAR SPACE FOR STORING AND SERVING DRINKS. THE LONG, NARROW CONFIGURATION OF THEIR UNIT, WITH KITCHEN, DINING, AND LIVING SPACES ALIGNED FROM ENTRY TO WINDOWS BEYOND, MADE FINDING AN APPROPRIATE SPACE FOR THIS FUNCTION CHALLENGING. THEY WANTED THE BAR TO BE PROXIMATE TO THE DINING AREA, BUT ADDING CABINETRY TO ELONGATE EITHER THE KITCHEN PERIMETER OR ISLAND WAS AWKWARD AND WOULD THROW OFF FUNCTIONALITY AND PROPORTIONS OF THE SPACES.

THE SOLUTION WAS TO CREATE A RECESSED BAR BY STEALING AN UNDERUTILIZED CORNER OF THE ADJACENT CENTRAL OFFICE SPACE. A NOMINALLY 2' DEEP BY 4' WIDE NOOK WAS CARVED INTO THE OFFICE AREA, ALLOWING THE BAR TO NOW COUNTERBALANCE THE KITCHEN AND GIVE EXTRA FUNCTIONAL WIDTH TO THE DINING AREA. THE HEIGHT OF THE RECESS WAS ALIGNED WITH THE TOP OF THE ADJACENT DOOR. THE TOP AND SIDES ARE WRAPPED IN WOOD WITH PRECISE DRYWALL DETAILING AROUND THE MINIMAL EDGE FRAME. THIS DETAIL EMULATES THE CABINETRY DOORS AS WELL, MATCHING THE NEWLY RENOVATED KITCHEN.

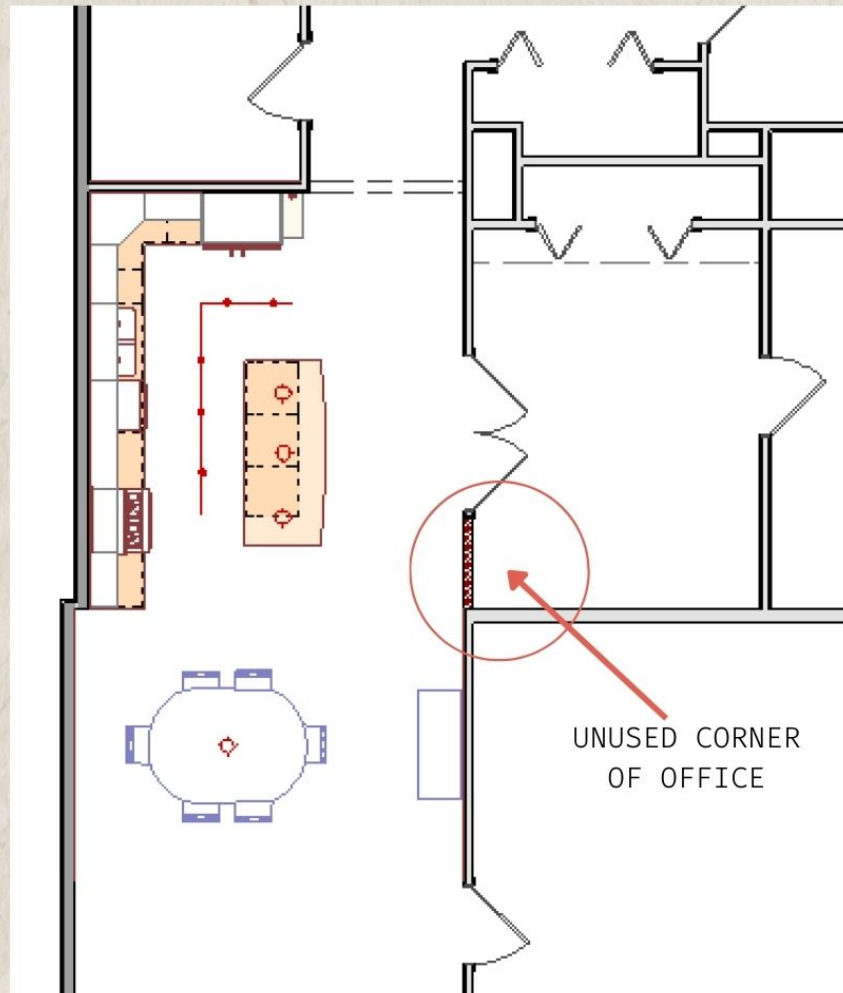
A SINGLE CABINET WITH PULL-OUTS FOR LIQUOR AND GLASSWARE IS PAIRED WITH A GLASS FRONT BEVERAGE FRIDGE FOR EASY ACCESS TO COLD BEVERAGES. ABOVE IS A NATURAL STONE COUNTERTOP AND THREE OPEN WOOD SHELVES - THE BOTTOM ONE IS CUSTOM-SHAPED TO ACCOMMODATE WINE BOTTLES. AS A DRAMATIC BACKDROP TO THIS FUNCTIONAL ASSEMBLY, A STUNNING PATTERNED-GLASS INSTALLATION WITH ENTRANCING REFLECTIVITY BRINGS THE WHOLE COMPOSITION TO LIFE.

THIS SPARKLING, FUNCTIONAL JEWEL OF A BEVERAGE AREA FULFILLS ALL OF OUR CLIENTS' NEEDS AND DESIRES. IT IS THE PERFECT COMPANION TO THEIR NEW KITCHEN, ALLOWING THEM TO SERVE THEMSELVES AND GUESTS EFFICIENTLY WHILE CREATING A BEAUTIFUL SHOWPIECE FOR THEIR ENTERTAINING SPACES.

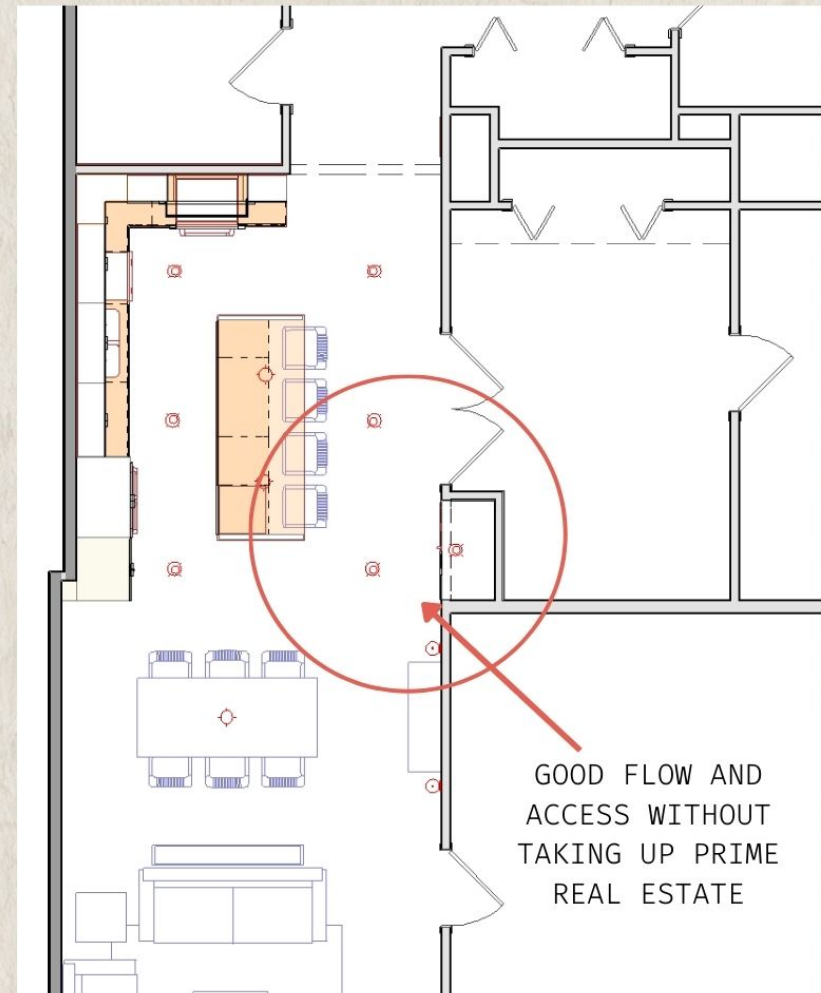
THEY ARE THRILLED WITH THE RESULT!

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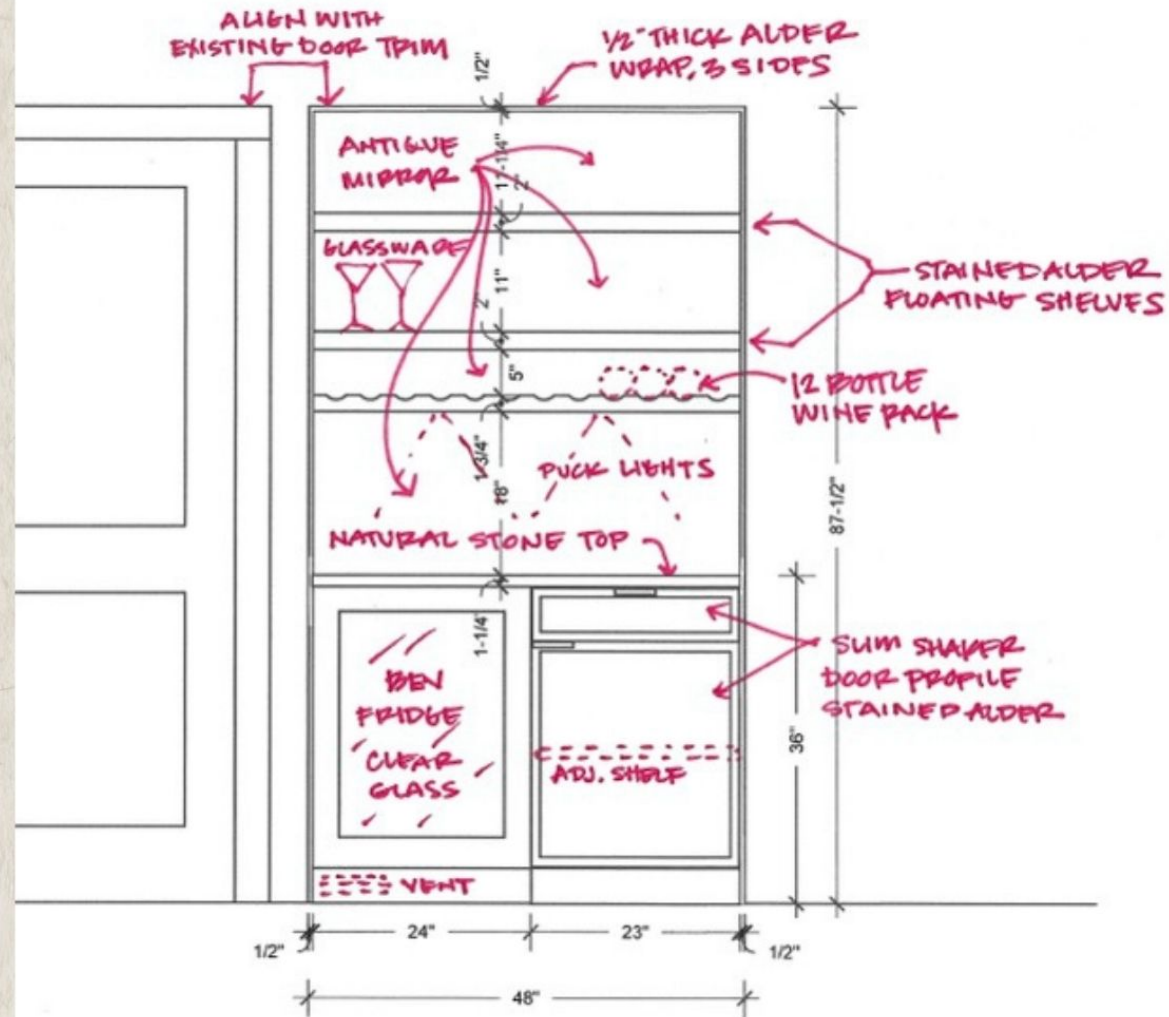


AFTER



PLANS

MUCH COORDINATION WAS NEEDED IN ORDER TO CUT THE FULL GLASS PANEL INTO SECTIONS IN ORDER TO GET THE PROPER BRACING FOR THE FLOATING SHELVES NEEDING TO CARRY A GOOD DEAL OF WEIGHT WHILE ALSO (IN SOME CASES) HOLD OTHER COMPONENTS (I.E. WINE SHELF WITH INTEGRATED LIGHTS). DRYWALL RETURNS WERE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO GET THE SLIM WOOD PROFILE TO LOOK CLEAN AS IT EXTENDED OUT TO RECEIVE THE BASE TRIM.





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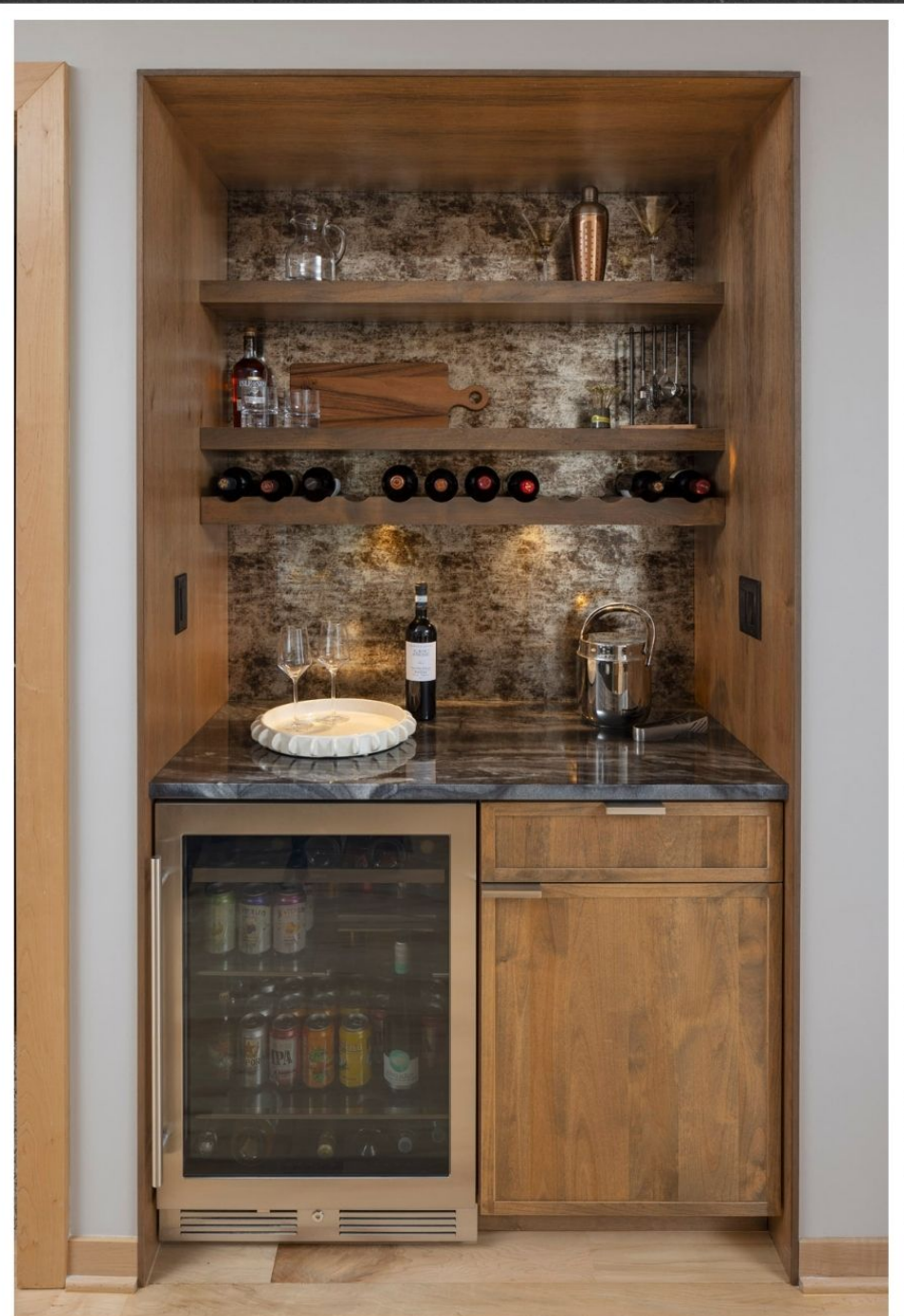
AN UNUSED CORNER OF THE ADJACENT OFFICE BECOMES THE CENTER OF ATTENTION IN THIS BEAUTIFUL AND FUNCTIONAL BAR FEATURE. THE RECESS ADDS DEPTH AND INTEREST TO THE KITCHEN AND DINING EXPERIENCE.



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RECESSED INTO THE OFFICE SPACE
BEYOND, THIS BAR TAKES ADVANTAGE
OF EVERY INCH WITH FUNCTION AND
FABULOUS FEATURES. WARM WOOD
WRAPS A COMPLIMENTARY BACKDROP OF
SUBTLY REFLECTIVE PATTERNED GLASS
CREATING A TEXTURED COMPOSITION
TO ENHANCE THE ADJACENT DINING
AND KITCHEN AREAS.

OTHER DETAILS INCLUDE A NATURAL
STONE COUNTERTOP, CUSTOM SHAPED
WINE SHELF WITH RECESSED
LIGHTING, AND PROPERLY
PROPORTIONED CABINET PULLS
ECHOING THE MINIMAL PERIMETER
BANDING. NEEDED ELECTRICAL IS
FLANKED AND PERFECTLY CENTERED.



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TECHNICAL CHALLENGES.



DETAIL_01

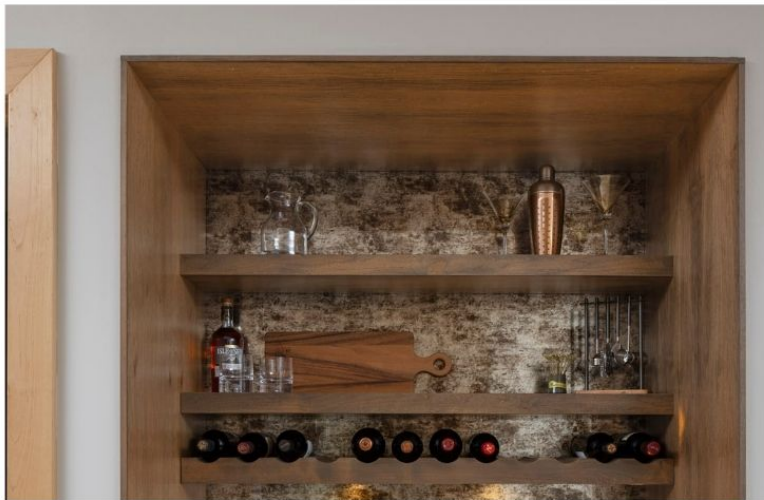
CUSTOM WINE SHELF:
SHAPED TO ACCEPT SEVERAL
SHAPES AND SIZES OF WINE
BOTTLES, IT INCLUDES
RECESSED LIGHTING TO
ILLUMINATE THE COUNTER
BELOW.

WOOD & GLASS:
THE WALLS WRAP THE RECESS WHILE THREE WOOD SHELVES ARE
SET IN FRONT OF A TEXTURAL BACKDROP OF ANTIQUED GLASS



DETAIL_02

HARDWARE & ELECTRICAL:
ELECTRICAL IS LOCATED ON THE SIDE WALLS
OF THE RECESS FOR EASY ACCESS. THE
CABINETRY HARDWARE FITS PERFECTLY ON
THE MINIMAL BANDING OF THE CABINET
DOORS AND DRAWERS. THE DEPTH OF THE
RECESS WAS PLANNED TO ALLOW FOR A
PROPER RETURN FOR THE WOOD LINED WALLS.



DETAIL_03

SUBJ: PALETTE



ONINOUS - NATURAL STONE

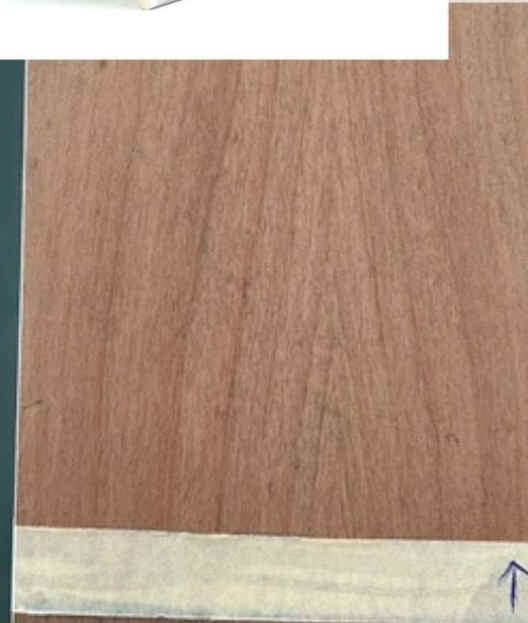
SCHAUB SABRE TAB PULL

SATIN NICKEL



BOHEME GRAY GLASS

SW 7750
(ADJOINING KITCHEN
COLOR)



STAINED ALDER



CHEERS!

A photograph of a wooden kitchen shelf system. The top shelf holds two martini glasses, a copper cocktail shaker, and a small glass. The middle shelf features a large wooden cutting board on the left, a small container of toothpicks in the center, and a metal rack with hanging utensils on the right. The bottom shelf is a wine rack containing several dark wine bottles. The background wall has a mottled, stone-like texture. A white, torn-edge paper graphic with the text 'CHEERS!' is positioned in the upper right corner.