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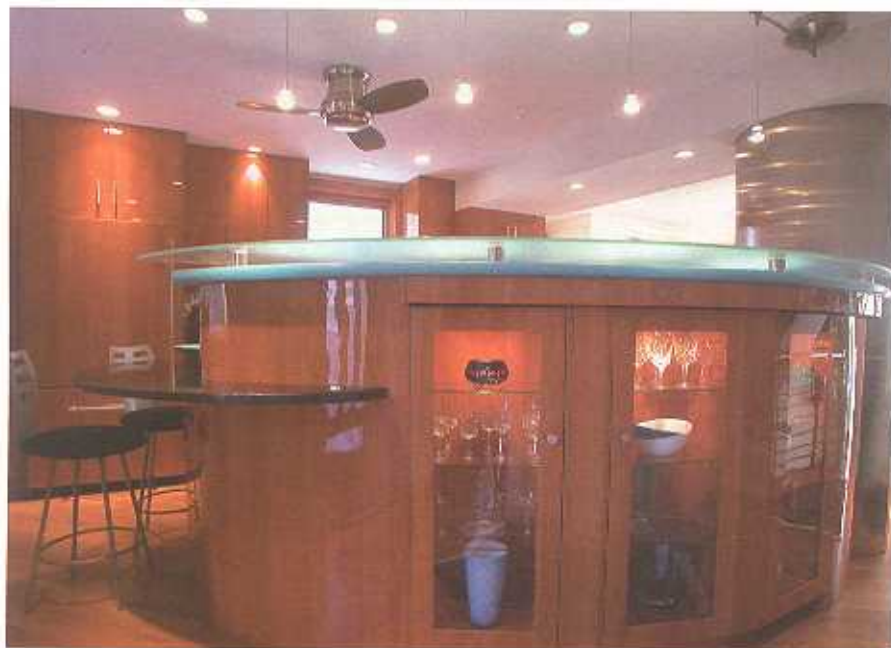


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This kitchen collaboration by Ruth Connell AIA of Ruth Connell Studio Architects, LLC and Kitchen Encounters features a serpentine island centerpiece crafted of highly glossed wood cabinetry with glass-front doors, multi-level granite and glass countertops, and a mosaic glass tile backsplash.

easily," Tunis adds that soapstone, granite and mahogany are among the more classic materials that her clients request. Stainless steel is also popular for its contemporary, sleek look and hygienic cleanliness, though these countertops resist scratching and require frequent cleaning. "People who have had stainless steel countertops know what the characteristics are," Facey says. "If you tell [a customer] about the potential drawbacks, they tend to shy away from it."

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