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Decorating Our First Home

The trials and tribulations of decorating and renovating our home

Kitchen is 90% complete and a surprise for our next project

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Our kitchen project is just about finished. My mom finished our window valences, and they look great! Teresa Tocco of Absolute Living Today spent a long evening with us discussing light fixtures. There are many options, and she really helped us narrow down what would work best in our kitchen. She suggested a brushed nickel finish, which we were able to find easily. We recently installed the new fixture over the kitchen table, and it has made a big difference. Teresa also had a huge selection of paint samples with her that we were able to see which colors tied together all of the colors in the kitchen. We also replaced the hardware on the cabinets, again with Teresa's advisement. Such a small project that has made a difference as well. Last weekend, the verticell blinds were installed over our sliding glass door. We still have to install two hanging lights over the island and we are going to put in recessed lighting along the cabinets to really light up the kitchen. I am including pictures from before we bought our house as well as what our kitchen looks like now. It's amazing the difference.

We had planned on moving to the living room and foyer after the kitchen was finished, however, our plans have been diverted after finding out that we are expecting a new addition to our family in May! Now our next project will be converting the spare bedroom/office into a nursery. A surprising twist in our renovation plans, but we are all very excited.

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