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LET SLEEK STEEL SHINE AGAINST GLASS AND WHITE CERAMICS.

1 Ilve by Ascaso DR18 'Dream' coffee machine, \$1399. 2 KitchenAid KSB555 'Artisan' blender, \$325. 3 'Vara' basalt tile 600mm x 400mm, \$105/sqm, from Onsite Design Studio. 4 Wedgwood 'Edme White' mug, \$29.95, and pitcher, \$199. 5 Plate, \$19, from The Vintage Rose. 6 James Dixon & Sons teapot, \$120, from Sydney Antiques Centre (Wendy Varley Interiors, Shop 28). 7 Dualit 'Newgen' toaster, \$375, from Everten Online. 8 'Gratitude' cup, \$58, 'Freshly Whipped' cup, \$78, and 'Butter Me Up' bowl, \$70, all by little white dish. 9 Jelly beans tin, \$40, from The Cowshed Shop. 10 Linen napkin, \$6, and salad servers, \$70 for set, both from The Vintage Rose. 11 Tureen, \$40, from Sydney Antiques Centre (Cottage Antiques, Shop 92). For stockist details, see page 128.



## SILVER STANDARD

Heirloom crockery and silverware need not be relegated to dark cupboards. Open shelving is the best way to combine decorative display with above-bench storage.

Try grouping utensils according to colour for maximum impact. White vessels against a white wall always look beautiful, but so does a colourful collection of Bakelite kitchenware set against an aqua or pale blue wall — it can be as classic or playful as you choose. Appliances and utensils in stainless steel (the modern silver) will mix well with most combinations.

If you're designing a new kitchen and there's room to move, consider incorporating a butler's pantry. Traditionally used to store serving items rather than food, it adds valuable bench and storage space, perfect if you love to entertain.

