



**Carlos M.
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Options lead to unexpected solutions—that's the logic behind Carlos M. Rodríguez Infanzón's design philosophy. "We give our clients three schemes: One is what they ask for, a second is an evolution of that and a third is something totally different," explains the architect, 33. The process resulted in a brave departure from the plan for this downtown loft's kitchen. Rodríguez Infanzón proposed swapping its location with the dining room to better execute the core goal for the space—function. The homeowners entertain on a grand scale, so he crafted deep shelves for trays of hors d'oeuvres and a large island for serving them. The red hues of the cabinetry mirror the dining chairs, which provide comfort but also serve as great conversation pieces: They're original theater chairs from Radio City Music Hall.

Custom cabinetry is crafted from Koskisen plywood by Finland Color Plywood Corporation with Bendheim glass inserts. Appliances include a GE refrigerator, Viking microwave and Bosch dishwasher. Three Leucos light fixtures are paired with a chandelier from the Broadway Collection by James R. Moder.

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