

Decorator's Notebook

New Designs Bring Backsplashes Front And Center

(NAPSA)—There's good news for homeowners looking to make a major decorating statement in their kitchen with minimal effort.

A new line of decorative tile backsplashes comes pre-assembled and ready to hang, going from the box to the wall in less than 10 minutes. The exclusive locking design hugs the wall and holds the assembled backsplash securely in place. With no adhesives, cutting residue, grouting or sealing, they are described as creating no mess in kitchens during installation.

Made by Broan, the Ready-to-Hang Decorative Tile Backsplashes are available in three sizes (30 inches wide by 14 inches high; 30 inches wide by 20 inches high; and 36 inches wide by 20 inches high). The decorative backsplashes are said to fit the most popular appliance and range hood sizes. Plus, they can be removed from the wall in minutes as decor needs change.

According to Karen Formico, the manufacturer's marketing services manager, "We've done extensive market and consumer research in this product category and found there's nothing like it currently on the market in either the kitchen and bath showroom or retail channels. Consumers, decorators and builders alike will find Broan backsplashes convenient, attractive and easy to use."

Four designs are available. The Tuscany design combines a rich pewter finish porcelain relief mural surrounded by ceramic tile to resemble the romance of Tuscany. This design is an ideal



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choice for kitchens with almond, biscuit, black or stainless appliances and adds a touch of class to any kitchen.

The Gourmet style features tumbled marble surrounding a stainless steel coffee pot, a glass wine bottle and three utensils to create a beautiful backdrop, adding drama and focus to cooking.

Featuring inlaid stainless steel and classic earth tones, the Spatola style highlights three stainless cooking utensils that appear to hang over the range. The utensils are surrounded by tumbled marble.

Designed to warm up plain kitchens, the Classico style features tumbled marble combined with rich stainless steel inlays of coffee and tea pot reliefs.

The decorative backsplashes are sealed and stain-resistant, and are made to stand up well to everyday wear and tear. All mounting hardware is included.

Broan backsplashes are available at www.broan.com.