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A six-burner combination barbecue and stove, a huge Sub Zero fridge and abundant storage highlight Tara and Michael Fingold's new kitchen. The oak hardwood is easier on feet than other flooring.

King of the kitchen

When interior designer Tara Fingold decided to renovate the kitchen on her Forest Hill home, it quickly turned into a labour of love.

Her husband, Michael, who at one time worked as a chef at the Windsor Arms, now works in investments but still loves to cook.

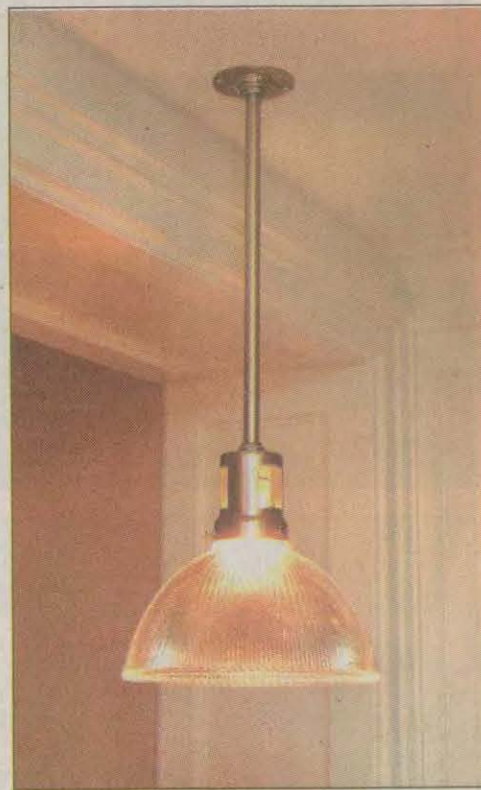
"When we designed the kitchen, I asked him 'What are your needs?'" Fingold says. "He took a tally of everything he needed now, and we also had to consider what he might need in the future."

They also had to figure out which tasks he would be performing in each part of the kitchen. "No chef wants to be running everywhere in a kitchen this size," she explains.

"When we bought the house (in 2001), the kitchen was half the size and closed off," recalls Fingold, who has designed shops for Calvin Klein jeans across Canada and now has her own firm, Tara Fingold Interiors.

"My goal was to have an open-concept kitchen that was serviceable for a chef, so it had full cooking amenities. But, at the same time, it had to be friendly

Interior designer caters to the needs of her chef husband while remodelling their Forest Hill home. Open-concept room has full cooking amenities but remains family-friendly, *writes Georgie Binks*



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A walk-in pantry and a butler's service area add storage. Right, lamps that once hung in Varsity Stadium have been rewired for use above the breakfast counter.