



SHEA Pumarejo

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This Spanish Colonial ranch-style home was originally built by the founders of the La Quinta Inn chain of hotels. The home features Spanish architectural details which clearly define its style, though the current homeowner preferred a more transitional feel so as not to be limited when selecting furnishings. Our goal was to stay true to the architecture and history of the home while achieving the light, bright transitional feel that the new homeowner desired.

The original kitchen had low ceilings and a wall separating it from the great room. During construction, the wall was removed and the ceiling raised to the same pitch as the adjoining great room, creating one continuous space. Beams with reclaimed wood were added in a light color to draw the eye to the new height of the ceiling.

In keeping with its Spanish roots, walls were treated in a lime plaster which adds warmth and luster. Windows were added to allow natural light to flood the space, and the vent hood and range placed in front of the picture window provides a focal point that draws the eye through the entire open space.

Perimeter cabinets were painted in Benjamin Moore® Revere Pewter, keeping the kitchen bright, and the island was made of white oak — stained a darker tone to balance the texture of the wood beams and ground the space while giving a nod to the home’s Spanish roots.

