



GLOBAL
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DESIGN
2018

WINNER

WORLDWIDE COMPETITION
FOR THE BEST KITCHEN DESIGN

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PRESS RELEASE

The winner of the Global Kitchen Design Award 2018 comes from Los Angeles

The competition platform Global Kitchen Design, initiated by kitchen manufacturer LEICHT for the best kitchen design, has announced this year's winners.

More than 1,000 kitchen experts and architects voted online that first prize should go to a plan presented by the kitchen studio Kitchen Works LA. The winning draft was honoured at the LEICHT | DESIGN SHOW on 27 October at the successful kitchen manufacturer's headquarters in Waldstetten near Stuttgart (Germany).

The awards ceremony was the highlight of the two-day LEICHT | DESIGN SHOW in Waldstetten, to which numerous international guests had been invited. „This year's Global Kitchen Design competition was once again a great success. When we created it in 2015, our idea was to network the international kitchen world. Naturally we wanted the focus to be on the numerous design possibilities, materials and functions of LEICHT kitchens. We are impressed with the variety of ideas the winning projects have put into practice,“ says Stefan Waldenmaier, CEO and Chairman of the Board of LEICHT Küchen AG.

The look of a winner: kitchen studio Kitchenworks L.A. (USA)

The winning draft, which was realised in West Hollywood, plays with the contrast of open living area and hidden storage space. The main features are a spacious kitchen island as well as an integrated room-in-room concept offering practical everyday storage space functions. The LEICHT solutions from the handle-less Avance range link the open kitchen with the living room thanks to homely elements and turn the ground floor of the modern detached house into a harmonious living area.

The elongated kitchen block is perfectly integrated into the room as a communicative piece of furniture which simultaneously offers a workspace and bar. The anthracite-coloured concrete kitchen front is repeated on the island block and the wall units, giving the kitchen as a whole a calm appearance. The TOPOS surface, which was used for both the drawers and units of the kitchen run as well as for the room-in-room construction, is crafted in bergamo elm. The dark wood of the deciduous tree shows a warm grain emphasising the furniture's natural quality which is both pleasant to the touch and beautiful to look at. This has a particularly good effect in the high, minimalistically furnished living room. „The two natural furnishing elements underscore the wabi-sabi style of the interior. Furthermore, the elm wood on the top of the island block encapsulates the Japanese style,“ says showroom manager Debra Tendler. „LEICHT was exactly the right partner for this project as we were able to fulfil the individual wishes of the customer at the very highest level and, in the process, spread a sense of young, modern homeliness.“



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About LEICHT Küchen AG

LEICHT is one of the top 10 companies of the German kitchen industry. The company employs more than 620 people at its main sites in Waldstetten and Kirchheim, and in the current fiscal year is recording a turnover of almost 140 million euros. LEICHT has developed from a Swabian manufacturer of quality goods into a brand coveted all over the world and is now exported to 55 countries.

The company originally founded as a carpenter's workshop in 1928 by the brothers Alois and Josef Leicht is now leaving its mark on the modern kitchen architecture of the twenty-first century. A milestone in the company's history was the opening of the LEICHT | WORLD in 2014, a representative kitchen exhibition area covering 1,500 square metres at the company's headquarters in Waldstetten with show kitchen and seminar rooms.

LEICHT itself has already received several design awards including the iconic awards: Interior Innovation, the Plus X Award as the „Most Innovative Brand“ and the German Brand Award.