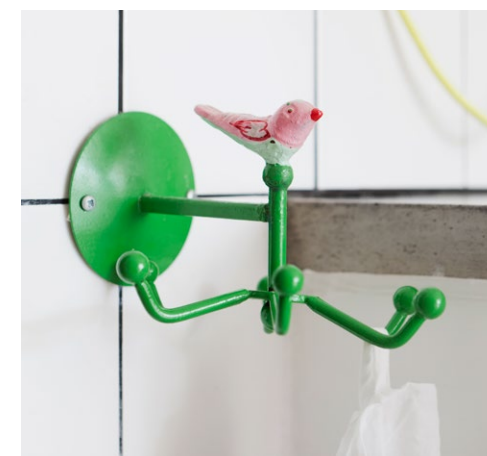




→ Carpenter Pär, pictured with his two children, Ebbe and Iris, in the kitchen that he installed and customized. Pär and his wife, Lovisa, designed the kitchen themselves, and were inspired by designs from the 1940s and 50s.

Pretty in Pink with a Monochrome Edge



When resourceful Swedish couple Pär and Lovisa started planning their new kitchen, it was the Smeg fridge that set the color scheme. They had never intended to go for pink, but once the fridge was in, it seemed like the obvious choice. The couple live in a 1930s apartment in Malmö with their children, Ebbe and Iris, and wanted a design that referenced the 1940s and 50s, and a pastel scheme that felt contemporary. The kitchen itself was found on the

internet-free, if disassembled. Luckily, Pär is a carpenter so he knows a thing or two about DIY. After installing the frame, they replaced the doors and found the vintage cabinet handles at a building preservation store. Pär molded the concrete countertop himself and used dark grout between the tiles to give the pink scheme a bit of an edge. A quirky picture by illustrator Anna Sonesson and fun festoon lighting emphasize the black-and-white backdrop.