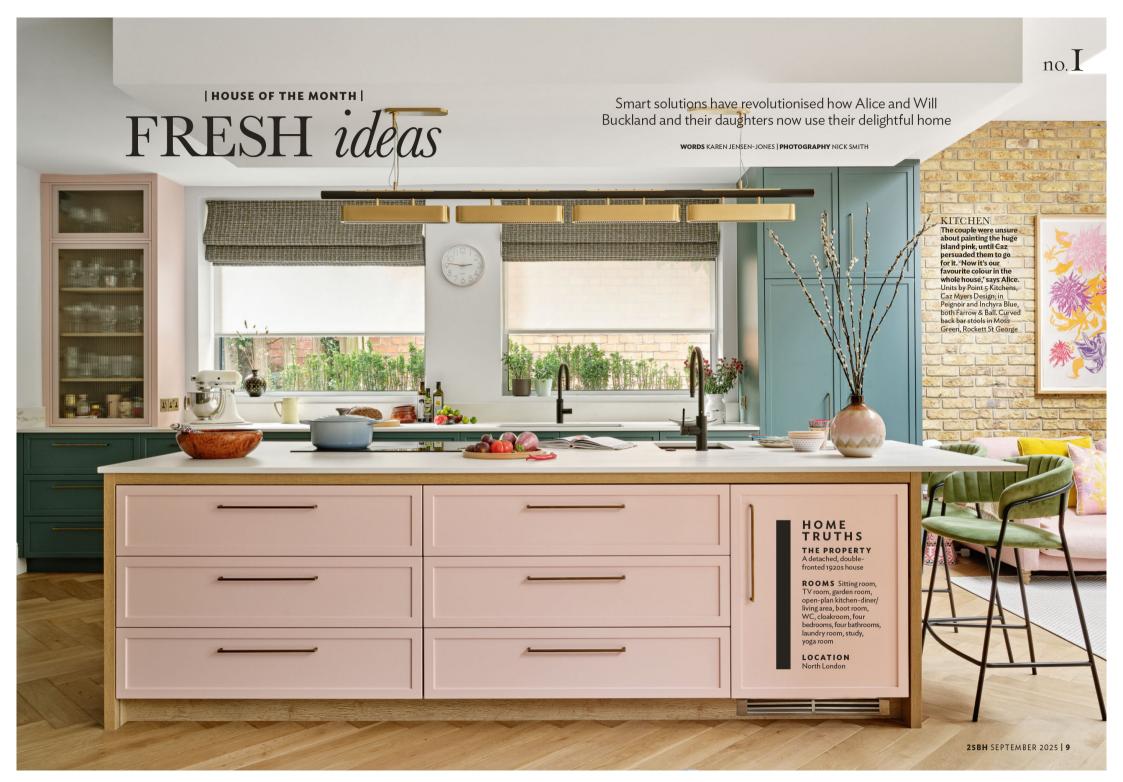
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hat began as a modest upgrade due to a challenging ground floor layout in this sizeable home grew into a full-blown renovation which has transformed the busy family life of Alice and Will Buckland and their daughters Nancy, 14, and Poppy, 12. 'We just couldn't make the ground floor space work for us as it felt too cavernous and no matter how many times we rearranged the furniture, it didn't improve the flow at all,' says Alice. 'I' d seen a friend's home recently renovated by Caz Myers of Caz Myers Design and was immediately impressed by the practical yet comfortable and smart solutions she'd come up with for reinventing a difficult space.'

The most significant change Caz made here was to refigure the ground floor layout which she solved by zoning specific areas and applying colour and natural materials for a unified look. 'Caz was incredibly patient with us while we worked out how to utilise the space,' says Alice. 'There are many competing priorities in a family home, so her idea for a desk where our children can do their homework and a seating nook in the kitchen and dining area has brought us all together, which was the essence of our brief. It took a few attempts to get it right, but it was worth the effort.'

Bare brickwork and a wooden floor complement the darker blues and greens of the cabinetry and banquette, while the uplifting pink tones, peppered throughout the scheme, are anchored by the kitchen units painted in the softest pink. 'Caz had a unique way of mixing and matching colours and patterns that we love and using them throughout our home, so everything feels effortlessly connected,' says Alice. 'Once the new layout was secured, my starting point for the colour scheme came from the sitting room mural featuring colourful birds and butterflies.'

Bespoke cabinetry, elegant lighting to replace standard spotlights and plush seating transformed the sitting room into a comfortable space for relaxing and entertaining. Similarly, the TV room boasts a generous sofa in vibrant burnt orange, inviting the whole family to come together and relax during cosy evenings. 'Alongside the look of our home, part of our brief was to ensure it was also practical with plenty of storage and a designated place for dirty boots, laundry and the overspill of a busy family life,' says Alice. 'The idea to use a spare bedroom for the laundry room had never occurred to us, but Caz's experience confirmed what a practical and convenient solution it is.'

Bedrooms have been redecorated and painted in Alice's favoured palette with en-suite bathrooms echoing her preferred colours. 'Caz even managed to find the space for a tranquil yoga room for me and a grown-up study for Will,' says Alice, 'which means there's a place for everyone and everything.' 

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