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A Historic Philadelphia Townhome Remodel

After living abroad in London for a number of years, design firm Kaminski + Pew's clients returned to the US to settle their growing family closer to home. When they purchased a lovely historic home that backs up to a beautiful park, they knew they wanted to fully renovate the space to suit their family's needs. The finishes needed to be beautiful yet durable to survive life with two small children, and they wanted to change the scale of the rooms to better suit their lifestyle.

The firm got to work on designing a welcoming and functional space, incorporating a large kitchen and entertaining space, and even adding off-street parking by digging out the basement to create a usable finished space.

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Humble beginnings

Located in the Filter Square neighborhood of Philadelphia, the historic home was built in the late 1870s and is attributed to local architect Frank Furness. Although the design involved updating a few key spaces, the team was sure to preserve, if not replicate, the historic details from the wood trim, doors, plaster mounding, fireplaces, and hardware. These historical details helped set the tone for the project and built the design around the context of the home.

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