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Going Green



"A kitchen backsplash is a great place to begin. If you're on a tight budget, use recycled porcelain as a field material and dress it up with green metal or glass inserts that add decorative detail."

Anna Marie Faneli, designer, Teruffy, New Jersey



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6. Food for thought

Recycled glass is deliciously served up as soft-hued Sea Glass textured dinnerware (\$24-\$56). Riverside Design Group, 866/672-1555; riversidedesigns.com

7. Runs circles 'round the rest

Handmade using 87 percent recycled scrap glass from local window and door manufacturers, Circle Mosaics glass tiles (\$55 per square foot) are fused in a kiln instead of a furnace, saving energy and reducing harmful emissions. Stardust Glass, 503/926-3076; stardustglasstile.com

8. Bamboo dish towels

Bamboo fibers have natural antibacterial properties that keep these luxuriously soft towels (three for \$22) odor-free between washings. Nubius Organics, 831/600-7744; nubiusorganics.com



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9. Discovered again

Here's the ultimate green backsplash: Old pottery full of nicks and chips is broken and set in grout for a colorful one-of-a-kind look.

