



house, but the benefits of no shoes inside the house are making this the norm rather than the exception. The other feature is a key station, which is for more than just keys. It's a station for things like a reminder board, a letter that needs to go out and other items that need a place to go in between the car and home.

**The most ingenious feature you've included?** A two-sided access closet. The outside access door allows for the delivery of dry cleaning and items such as parcels into a secure, dry space. The same closet is accessed from the inside via a door in the mudroom with a self-closing and locking mechanism. No more clutter inside or outside the house, and no signal to burglars that no one is home.

**A clever solution you devised to solve a client's problem?** A coded locked cabinet. It's not earth-shattering, but for someone who carries sensitive

paperwork and needs a secure place that is not accessible to cleaners, repair people and maintenance personnel, it works wonders.

**Materials you're spec'ing now?**

Tile or stone flooring with underfloor heating for sure. Hard surfaces such as tiles are easy to clean, but they're cold, hence the underfloor heating.



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**What mudroom feature tops the wish list for your clients?** The mudroom tells the story of a family's everyday life. Each client is unique, but they all have the same request: to maximize storage. Our goal is to utilize every inch to create the

most efficient yet beautiful space.

**The most ingenious feature you've included?** A dedicated water bottle filling station for a client who had very active children participating in many sports. Large water bottles are now kept out of the kitchen, the children love it, and it makes the process of getting out the door and to practice a lot easier!

**A clever solution you devised to solve a client's problem?** Electronics have become over-accessorized and demand a lot of space. Our client requested a way to stop this clutter, so we designed a designated charging station in a custom cabinet that housed the family's electronics. The wires remain out of sight, and the home remains uncluttered.

**Materials you're spec'ing now?** We love using brick laid out in a herringbone pattern and performance fabrics for a clean and classic yet durable design. One client requested a little more "pizzazz" in the mudroom, so we installed colorful vintage metal lockers.