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## STYLE (trends)

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### TERRAZZO TILE

No longer relegated to only children's bathrooms, color is emerging in mainstream tile use. And at Specialty Tile, you'll find U-Color available in four field tile colors and 60 deco colors that can be mixed and matched to create rug-like effects.

Also of note: Terracotta flooring (Viva Acustico's line) has a contemporary twist with larger formats, straight edges and a concrete look blended in. Wood tiles features bolder patterns and longer shapes (48-inch length is the new normal) from Provenza In-Essence, Colli WOW and 14 Ora Italiana's union. Ovals, hexagons and abstract water-jet shapes also add flair to these contemporary designs. 1275-D Oakbrook Dr., Norcross 30093; (770) 246-9224; [specialtytile.com](http://specialtytile.com)



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### CANTONI

Marble seems to be having its moment, with the look of natural marble and exotic stones becoming more prominent in modern kitchens, says Scott Bonds, Cantoni's kitchen design director. Look for more bold color and texture as well as matte lacquer in contrast to high-gloss lacquers. The Menu Collection, designed by Paola Navone for Bontempi Cucine, is available in Acacia (a textured dark wood with caramel hues). The Mood Collection, designed by Lino Codato for Bontempi Cucine, also has new lacquers and wood finishes. The Matera Collection, designed by Marco Brogiotti for Bontempi Cucine, displays the Smart finish, which mimics brushed pine. 1011 Monroe Dr. N.E., Atlanta 30306; (404) 881-8111; [cantoni.com](http://cantoni.com)



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### PORCELANOSA

A new generation of solid surface Krion countertops at Porcelanosa is helping to create a more seamless aesthetic in kitchens, says Juan Pablo Bojarano, Atlanta sales manager at Porcelanosa. Krion—a non-porous uniform material—is warm to the touch and similar in feel to stone. Made of two-thirds natural minerals and one-third organic material, Krion can be cut into sheets and manufactured in a way to create curved pieces. With no need for joints, the result is one seamless, smooth surface. 349 Peachtree Hills Ave., Suite B2, Atlanta 30305; (404) 973-0640; [porcelanosa-usa.com](http://porcelanosa-usa.com)



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### WALKER ZANGER

Homeowners debating the merits of various stone countertop options, take comfort: Using stone and marble tiles together to create a new twist on a modern look will be hot in 2014. Walker Zanger's new Shift collection combines multiple textures of stone in various geometric shapes. The stone surfaces are chiseled, scrapped and hammered, and shift from one texture to another. 791 Miami Circle, Atlanta 30324; (404) 365-9999; [walkerzanger.com](http://walkerzanger.com)