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## 1 GO WITH THE GRAIN

Floor-to-ceiling cabinets create a clean, uncluttered look, but to keep them from appearing flat, choose a finish with interesting texture. This design is the QI kitchen by Japanese design studio Nendo for Scavolini, which comes in a pale wood laminate with a beautiful grain. 'The idea that underpins this design is concealment, because the kitchen is always full of so many objects,' says Oki Sato, Nendo's chief designer. 'It also creates a greater sense of space. We called it Qi, which means bowl or container in Japanese, but also wood.'

Project details Scavolini's Qi kitchen is shown here with a Hono Elm laminate wall system, from £15,000, at Multiliving. For a similar light fitting, try the A440 pendant, £472, by Artek at Skandium. Native & Co sells Japanese kitchenware that would complement this look, including wood caddies and cast-iron tea kettles.