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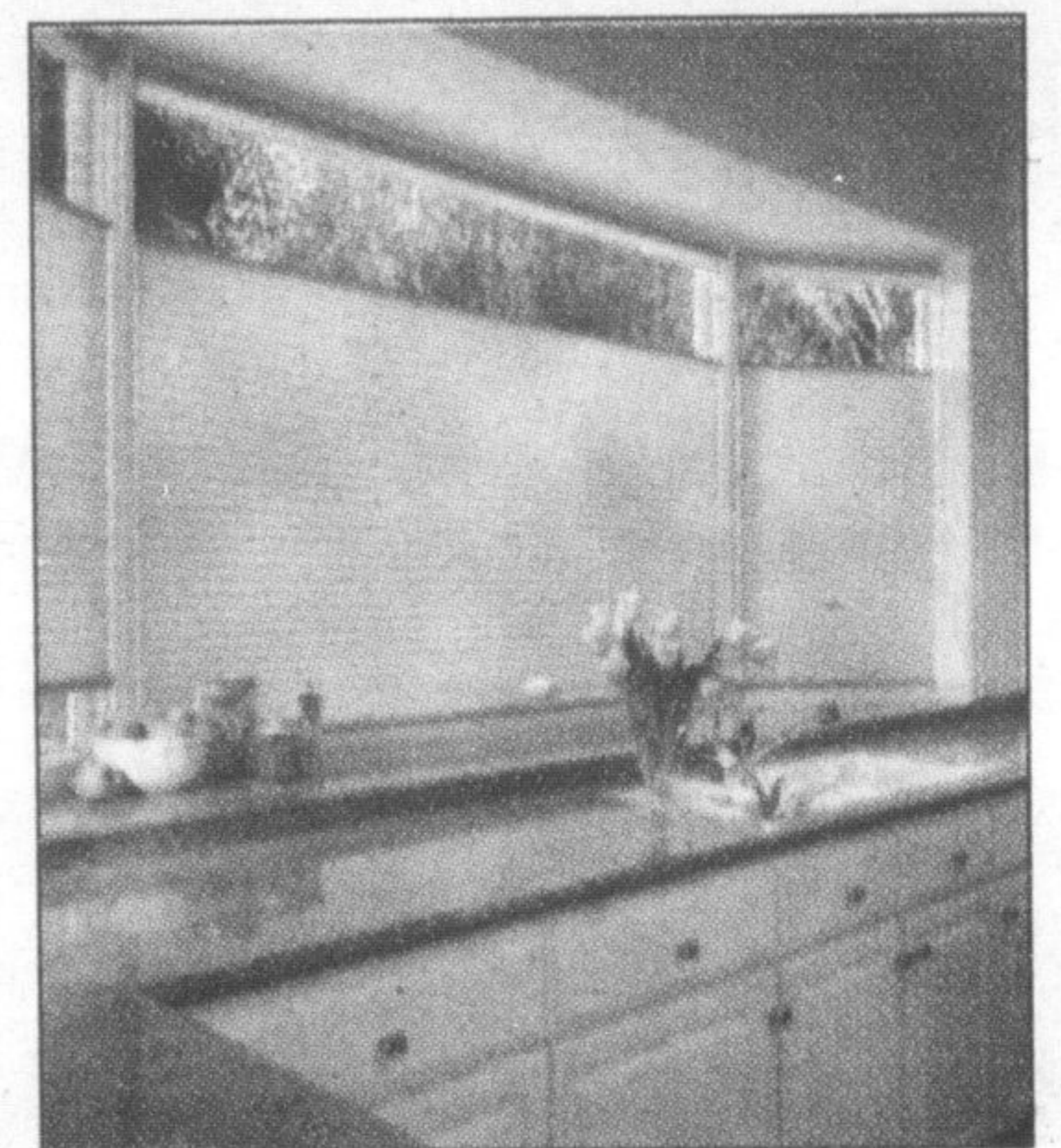
\$276,900. 3 BR home on an extra deep, mature lot. Eat-in Kitchen & Separate DR both with w/o's to private, fenced backyard. New roof '08, New furnace '07, Updated windows. Fully fin LL w/ rec room, bar & 2 pce bath. Ideal location - close to Schools, Parks, GO Station and much more!

Map out a fresh look in the kitchen

These days, the redecorating mantra is quick, easy and budget-friendly. Sue Rainville, director of marketing for Hunter Douglas, Canada's leading manufacturer of custom window fashions, offers the following decorating tips for your kitchen that can be done in a matter

of days and don't involve costly renovation:

- **Work Islands:** For extra counter and storage space, add a simple free-wheeling island to the center of the room. Most importantly - don't assume it has to match other furniture in the kitchen. Some of the most charming settings are from an assortment rather than a collection. You can mix a brightly coloured piece for a decorative accent, or simply add an older piece of furniture you already have for an inexpensive new look.



- **Cabinets:** Substitute the old, dreary knobs with updated ones in bright colours and interesting shapes. Remove some of the cabinet doors for open shelving to give the impression that the room is larger than it really is. Take the open storage one step further and mount open wall shelves to add decorative books and vases, with meaningful photos splashed in between.

- **Tile:** Easily transform the kitchen with colourful accents on your backsplash, adding an upscale element to the room. Currently popular are the "subway tiles" with a rectangular shape. They can be quickly applied both vertically and horizontally.

- **Window Coverings:** Bringing more than just light control and privacy to a room, window coverings can also help with energy efficiency, UV protection and sound absorption.

Many Hunter Douglas products are ideal for today's kitchens, including Duette honeycomb shades which help insulate against heat loss in the winter and heat gain in summer. What's more, the new Arios fabric is durable and easy-to-clean (you can wash them in the bathtub) - perfect for a room that gets heavy use like the kitchen.

- **Walls:** Add a fresh coat of paint to the walls for an instant change. Take the lighting into consideration when selecting the paint colour. If the room faces south, east or west, select a darker colour for the walls as you receive the most light in these areas and the dark hues will stand out more. Choose a lighter colour if the room faces north as the room does not get as much sunlight, thus making the room look larger.

With these simple steps, a fresh kitchen can be made in as little as a week.

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A small town in a rural setting, Milton offers good value, but as importantly, it also features a variety of amenities and conveniences that are directly linked to its geographic location.

Many homebuyers are drawn to Milton because it's a quiet, safe community where they're sure to build long-term ties to the community and its people.

When considering a home in Milton, you can opt for a charmingly renovated Victorian or a contemporary home in a new subdivision. Naturally, the current and expected size of your family will determine the size of the common spaces (kitchen, living and recreation) as well as the number of bedrooms required. Are you currently a family of two and anticipating your first child or are you about to become empty nesters? Do you need a dedicated home office, guest room or workshop space? How many full bathrooms and powder rooms will maintain the morning peace in your family?

Wherever you work, Milton makes sense thanks to the GO train service as well as its proximity to the 401 and the 407 and of course, the Pearson International Airport and the Hamilton Airport. The manageable commute is well worth the small town lifestyle that gives you more house for less money.

Of course, you can shop, dine out and go to the movies - all locally but the outdoor sports and leisure opportunities that are a part of Milton's Niagara Escarpment location are one of Milton's key draws. It's where you can take advantage of the hiking, skiing (downhill and cross-country), swimming, horseback riding and pick-your-own farms.

The size of your home, its features (e.g. air-conditioning, fireplaces, skylights, soaker tubs, gourmet kitchens), finishes (marble, granite, hardwood) and its neighborhood, all affect the price.

But before you commit to a home, remember that CMHC says that monthly housing costs (mortgage and interest payments, utilities, property tax, insurance, condo fees) shouldn't exceed 32 per cent of your household's gross income. The entire monthly debt load (e.g. car loans, lines of credit) should be no more than 40 per cent of the family's gross monthly income.

Pre-qualify for a mortgage to precisely determine your housing budget, so that you're 100% sure that you can comfortably afford to fulfill your wish list.

To find out more about why Milton is the perfect location for singles, newly-weds, families and retirees, please contact me.

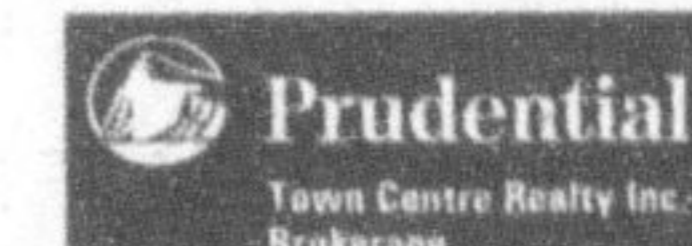


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