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**PROJECT LOCATION:** Napa Valley, CA **DESIGN DETAILS:**

For this ranch home in Napa Valley, we designed a cozy nook to provide the homeowners with a more intimate dining experience when it was just the two of them at their large estate. The banquette created an inviting area that helps ground the space among its vast valley views. The hammered zinc, reclaimed wood and leather add further texture and warmth to the kitchen. I try to avoid a sea of chairs and barstools in a kitchen, and a banquette is a good solution for this. **BREAKFAST, LUNCH OR BRUNCH?** I'm not much of a chef, but I would love to serve a fondue lunch here!



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**PROJECT LOCATION:** Dallas, TX **DESIGN**

**DETAILS:** I typically use banquettes in our designs because they add a fun and casual element to the dining table. When our goal is to be able to seat a larger number of people and turn the space into a more relaxed area, we prefer banquettes over dining chairs. This is my home and the room is not very big, so pushing the banquette against the wall helped with the space. It also added seating for my two daughters.

**BREAKFAST, LUNCH OR BRUNCH?** I love brunch; it is always a happy and festive meal where you can have a variety of food and drinks at the table!