

remodeled bathrooms

# Well co-ordinated

When updating your bathroom, planning the material and color palette is about creating visual continuity while still giving the space its own identity





# Twist on tradition

Subtly patterned tiles and wallpapers are teamed with modern fittings in these co-ordinated bathrooms

**Finding design inspiration for bathrooms** isn't always straightforward, but recognizing the need to provide visual continuity is a start.

When designer Natalie Du Bois of Du Bois Design set out to remodel three bathrooms and a powder room in this 1930s home, she was helped by the color palette of the kitchen, which she had redesigned.

"The owners loved the way the soft gray and dark charcoal tones in the kitchen suited the era of the house and decided they would like to continue these in the bathrooms," the designer says. "But it was also important to give each room its own identity, so there needed to be points of difference."

Du Bois introduced similar custom vanities to each main bathroom, which are reminiscent of traditional painted wood washstands, albeit with modern fittings. All the vanities have marble tops that have been sealed with a resin.

"In the master ensuite the vanity is painted in a soft champagne color, while the guest bathroom vanity is in lemongrass, and the family bathroom vanity is charcoal. These shades also feature elsewhere in each bathroom."

The designer added patterned wallpapers to the guest and family bathrooms, in soft tones of silver and lemongrass, and silver and white. Walls below the dado line feature white tiles with a delicate silver stripe.

"In contrast, walls in the larger master ensuite bathroom are tiled with extra-large 13in x 26in tiles that have a floral mosaic pattern. The tiles are iridescent – the sparkle is amplified by a series of LED lights along the ceiling perimeter. The only wallpaper featuring in this bathroom is the dark charcoal wall behind the mirrored cabinet."

All the rooms have black floor tiles with textural irregularities. These provide a slight undulating, velvety feel underfoot – underfloor heating enhances the sense of luxury.



**Preceding pages and left:** All the bathrooms in this renovated home are decorated in shades of soft gray and black. In the master bathroom, the walls feature large tiles that have an iridescent floral mosaic pattern. The medicine cabinet has mirrors on both sides of the doors. With outlets inside the cabinet, the owners can shave and use hairdryers with the doors open.

**Above:** Niches in the shower wall accommodate toiletries.



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*Facing page and left:* The vanity in the guest bathroom is painted a soft lemongrass color to match the wallpaper. The custom mirror has a distressed finish in black with silver accents.

*Top left:* Dark charcoal features in the family bathroom. The custom mirror in this room is distressed silver with black accents.

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