

**A good soaking** Nothing says luxury like a claw-foot bath tub! This one, from Chez Marie-Sixtine in Paris, has been painted a dramatic dark grey to match the panelled wall. Turn the page for more ways to jazz up your bathroom. →



# ROOMS

THE BATHROOM SPECIAL



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**The look** We love that this is a bathroom in disguise – all the functional elements are there, but with the addition of soft textiles and greenery, it looks as styled as a living room.

**Try it** Sheer, floor-length curtains (or a shower-curtain equivalent), a tree-like pot plant and a rug-sized bathmat will give you this elegant, decorated look. →

BEST BATHROOMS EVER

More than just somewhere to take a quick shower or brush your teeth, a bathroom is the one place we can retreat, and be completely alone. Turn yours into a sanctuary with one of these inspiring looks...

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## GREEN AND BRASS

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**The look** The dark and glossy forest-green tiles in this luxed-up Melbourne bathroom are lush, as are the glowing brass accessories they're teamed with. We think the overall effect is peaceful yet glam.

**Try it** To get the look, steer away from plain white tiles and try something a little deeper and moodier, then throw in some grainy timber, brass and travertine for much-needed warmth.



## MIXED MATERIALS

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**The look** The rule "less is more" doesn't apply to this angular bathroom, where penny round mosaics have been used in a confident way – more is more, we say! **Try it** For this look, choose a small mosaic in a neutral colour, teamed with a contrasting grout, and don't be afraid to cover all surfaces. Stick with simple fixtures and keep your accessories to a minimum.



**photography** tom blachford (green and brass); nic granleese (mixed materials); peter clark (let there be light)



## LET THERE BE LIGHT

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**The look** This space takes the skylight next level! The whole ceiling of the shower room is one big window, allowing the natural light to set the mood – come rain or shine. The connection to nature is backed up with raw, unpolished concrete walls and a timber vanity base. **Try it** If you're lucky enough to be renovating, consider a glass roof like this one. Pair rough-textured concrete with warm copper fittings and curved shapes like the round showerhead and mirror. →



## PINK TERRAZZO

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**The look** The spectacular, speckled terrazzo tiles that blanket the floor and an entire wall of this Parisian bathroom leave us tickled pink. Not for the faint-hearted, this bold bathroom look is best suited to those wanting to make a fashionable statement! **Try it** Make it yours by pairing feminine tiles with functional, wall-mounted sinks (these ones are enamel) and masculine pieces, like the glossy jet-black accessories pictured. Copper pipes made into taps add a splash more utility.

## WHITE ON WHITE

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**The look** White is the new black, and we can't get enough of it – especially in tapware (trend alert!). In this all-white-everything space, interest comes via texture and shape. **Try it** Get this striking style by layering white on white on white. Pick sculptural pieces, such as the curvaceous white tapware, along with textural elements like custom-moulded shelving and dimpled tiles to add interest. →

**photography** julie ansiau, courtesy of marie-sixtine (pink terrazzo); felix forest (white on white)





## THE GREAT OUTDOORS

BATHROOM DESIGN | LAMINEX  
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**The look** Outdoor showers shouldn't be exclusive to romantic beach getaways. We love how this timber-clad version lends an ultra-relaxed vibe to an otherwise modern bathroom. **Try it** Consider installing an outdoor shower in a courtyard or private garden nook. Timber slats or pebbles are the perfect non-slip surface, while climbing greenery and a rain showerhead add that resort feel.



## BOLD AND BRASSY

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**The look** We'd love to sit and soak in this gilded bath all day, every day. It takes centre stage and adds an element of decadence to a sophisticated yet super-simple space. **Try it** To make this work, you'll want to pare everything else back to the bare bathroom essentials and choose one hero piece – bath, basin or mirror. A neutral plastered palette with some subtly placed lighting plays the perfect backdrop.

## WALLPAPER WOW-FACTOR

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**The look** The sleek fixtures, marble steps, subway wall tiles and whimsical Fornasetti feature walls of this updated heritage bathroom seriously give us the warm and fuzzies. **Try it** Put your overalls on and inject some pattern or colour into your bathroom with wallpaper (just make sure the space is well-ventilated). Apply it to untiled walls or just one wall in small spaces. →

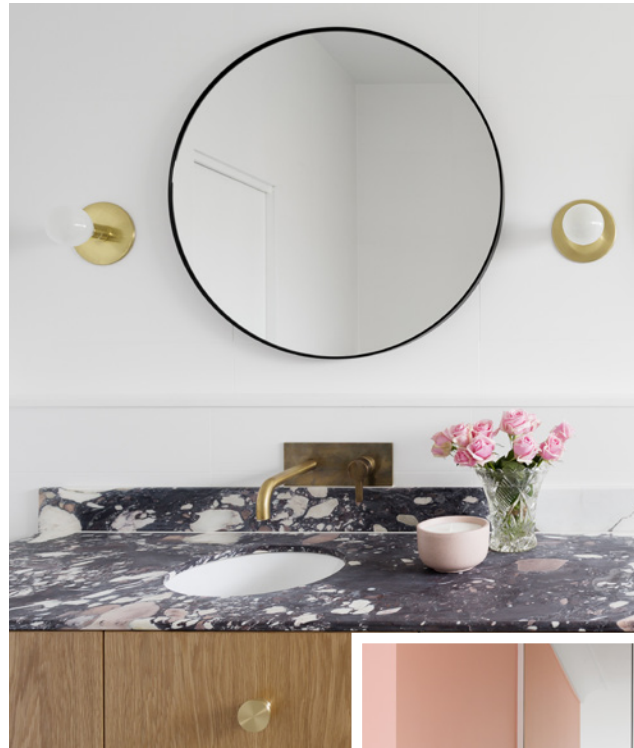




## CIRCULAR SYMMETRY

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**The look** These circular mirrors (right) spin us right round, baby, right round! We love how their soft curves are juxtaposed with edgier, more structured shapes in this mirror-image bathroom. **Try it** Steal the style by mixing hard and soft lines – for instance, a round mirror with square tiles and angular accessories. And if you have room, double the mirror and basin for double the effect.



## COLOUR POP

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**The look** We're impressed with the seamless mix of style and function in this colourful bathroom-slash-dressing room (left and top left). Changing is made easy with a floor-to-ceiling mirror and plenty of storage options. **Try it** To achieve this look, accent a crisp white palette with two block colours on large surface areas. A chandelier adds a touch of luxe, as does a collection of brass wall hooks and a black marble vanity top.

## ECO ACCENTS

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**The look** Just looking at this bathroom makes us feel Zen. The natural colour scheme and floating vanity and bench seat create a feeling of space and warmth. **Try it** To recreate this relaxed look, use colours found in nature, such as eucalyptus green, and oak timber. Vertically placed tiles draw the eye upwards – a clever trick for narrow spaces! 🌿

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