



2015 BATH OF THE YEAR CONTEST WINNER

SCALED TO SOPHISTICATION

Harrison Design's Karen Ferguson brings intimacy and beauty to a sprawling master bath.

PHOTOGRAPHED BY Sarah Dorio

NOT ONE TO FEEL OVERWHELMED by a large space, designer Karen Ferguson was instead emboldened by the dramatic scale of this Sandy Springs master bath.

The 400-square-foot room was able to accommodate a long shower with multiple showerheads and sprays, a separate tub, dual vanities and a cozy scating area. The blue-gray palette of the Bianco Carrara marble shower walls set the tone for the rest of the lavish bath.

"I worked from that corner out," says Ferguson, director of the interior design studio at Harrison Design. "The marble panels in the shower lead to the wood panels in the bathroom, which makes it feel cozier and more intimate."

The bathroom, says Ferguson, was intended to feel like an extension of the living area and have the same personality as the rest of the home. The custom cabinetry is the same color





as the wood panels, while additional elements, such as walnut floors, a delicate chandelier, sheer Roman shades and Moattar rugs, create a tranquil retreat with a scale that remains intimate enough for two.

"It's not just a utilitarian space," Ferguson says. "It's a space where you can hang out and be comfortable."

A mix of metallic finishes adds layers of interest, while an antique floor mirror, made from wood with gold leaf, adds patina and a romantic air. The mirror, purchased in Los Angeles, stands tall behind a rectangular freestanding tub that commands attention, rather than disappearing in the substantial space. Soft curves soften the tub's appearance, beckoning the homeowners to relax and rest.

It's a careful interplay between textures and shapes. "I think this space feels calm and serene because of the mix of materials and finishes," Ferguson says.





"I think a big trend for today's kitchen is the ability to play up focal elements like hoods, refrigerators and islands in a way that really shows off what a little creativity and some custom millwork can do," says Shearer.

CSI Kitchen & Bath Studio took a similarly clean approach in the bath, where sleek lines and a crisp color scheme in multiple hues produce a spa-like feel. Shower and tub panels made from a high-performance Neolith in a non-tile application create a seamless, durable surface that requires minimal maintenance. Frameless cabinetry in the his-and-hers vanities maximizes storage

space, creating a polished aesthetic alongside glossy Quartzite counters and chrome faucetry. "We wanted to choose something that would lend itself to the transitional style of this bath," says CSI's Mimi Clausen.

A balance of classic luxury and cutting-edge style was on display in the outdoor living area by Diversified Cabinet Distributors, Inc., in which Alfresco cooking surfaces are ideal for summer barbecues or garden parties. Hard-wearing countertops from Levantina and salvaged wood accents give a nod to nature while standing up to wear and tear.



THE DETAILS

DESIGN CSI Kitchen and Bath Studio CABINETRY Rutt from CSI Kitchen and Bath Studio FLOOR AND SHOWER SURFACE Neolith from Stone Center COUNTERTOPS Levantina COUNTERTOP FABRICATION Atlanta Kitchen TUB MTI Baths FAUCETS KWC LIGHTING Circa Lighting SHOWER DOORS + MIRRORS Atlanta Glass & Mirror STOOL + VASES B.D. Jeffries CORAL + MERCURY COMPOTES Lush Life

