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THIS PHOTO: A slipper tub shows off eye-catching curves in this Vancouver bath. An arched mirror framed by paneled millwork adds architectural interest.

OPPOSITE: Painted rafters with decorative ball finials highlight tall ceilings, while marble basket-weave tile adds pattern underfoot.





All in the Details

Only 8 feet wide, this master bath designed for a spec home in Vancouver may be short on space—but it's big on style. Designer Tereza Bajan made the most of the bath's limited square footage with a smart layout, high ceilings that direct the eye upward, and reflective materials that visually expand the space. Meanwhile, elegant surfaces and plenty of crystal accents give the bath its glamorous feel.

"I wanted to create a sense of old Hollywood glamour and luxury, so I used high-end materials, such as Carrara marble, marble tiles, and Swarovski crystal details," Bajan says. In fact, marble is everywhere, but it appears in many forms to add interesting pattern and texture: A marble basket-weave floor offers a classic



ABOVE LEFT: A cantilevered seat creates the impression of more space in the steam shower, while providing all the comfort and convenience of a built-in bench.

ABOVE RIGHT: Frameless glass doors put the focus on the shower's marble slabs and mosaic tile accent above.

OPPOSITE: Marble countertops pair with sleek cabinetry at the bath's dual vanity for a transitional look. A large mirror reflects natural light from French doors opposite the tub.

look underfoot, a marble countertop with a waterfall edge lends distinction to the dual vanity, and marble slabs wrap the shower walls in luxury.

Elegant surfaces must be paired with pampering amenities to create a true spa-like retreat, however—and this bath doesn't disappoint. A freestanding slipper tub—set at an angle to make the most of available space—offers a soothing respite, while the steam shower provides a welcoming wake-up call with its rain-style showerhead, multiple body jets, and hand spray. At room's end, a separate toilet compartment ensures privacy.

To give the bath a spacious feel, Bajan emphasized the room's high ceilings and kept the look light and airy with a sophisticated color palette of whites, silvers, and grays. Open rafters transform the ceiling into a design statement, enhancing the bath's traditional pedigree with big ball finial accents. A barrel-vaulted ceiling distinguishes the steam shower, again creating the illusion of more space. Mosaic tiles installed above the marble shower walls direct the eye upward and call attention to the distinctive ceiling treatment.

A mirror framed in marble above the vanity reflects light from the French doors opposite the tub and also expands the room visually. "The reflective surfaces magnify light and interior and exterior views, which in turn magnify how large the room feels," Bajan says. They also reflect the sparkling crystals on the chandelier and wall sconces—highlighting the bath's unique sparkle and shine.

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