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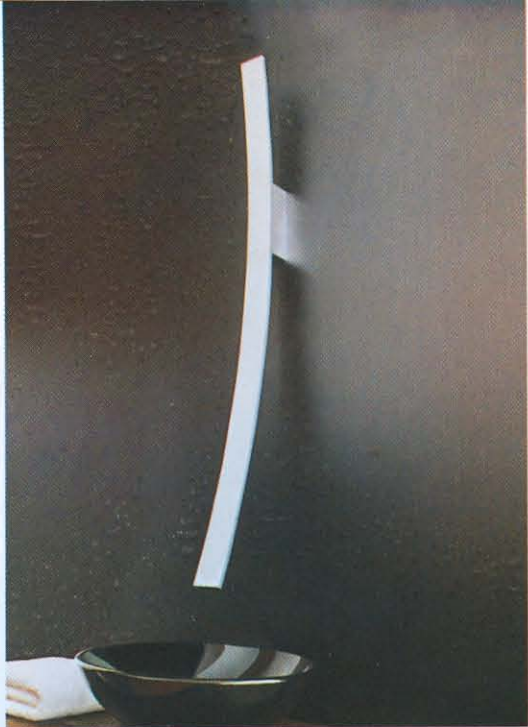
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THE GOODS

ARCHRIVAL

Graff's dramatic Luna faucet swoops down your bathroom wall to fill your basin in style. The handles can be wall- or deck-mounted, and matching tub filler and shower are available. In polished chrome or satin nickel. \$3,165. 800-954-4723; graff-faucets.com.



ALLINONE

Induction cooking uses electromagnetic energy to heat the cookware, not the cooking surface, while providing control comparable to gas burners. Until recently, it was only available in separate cooktops. The Kenmore Elite brings it all together in a 30-inch free-standing range with a convection oven and warming drawer. \$900. sears.com.

WASHEDUP

The Mystic Twist sink softens traditional square or rectangle sinks and updates the kitchen, bar or bathroom with a striking shape that swirls water to the drain. Available in a textured or satin finish with an optional cutting board for prep sinks. \$850 to \$1,200. 800-223-5529; elkayusa.com.





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PRODUCTS OF THE YEAR

THE SIXTH ANNUAL KB AWARDS



Particularly with everyone paying close attention to the purse strings these days, it can be challenging to see your way clear to making major purchases for the kitchen or bath. Our recommendations for the most innovative products in this area can provide some helpful insights into making a selection that's right for your home. This year's panel of judges—Leslie Plummer Clagett, editor, and Bill Partsch, associate editor, of Woman's Day Special Interest Publications' *Kitchens & Baths*, along with industry expert Gale Steves—evaluated hundreds of submissions with an eye to good value as well as technological creativity and stylish design.

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STONE FOREST, SYNC SERIES

With stainless steel brackets and a grill-style drain, these sinks thwart the rustic aesthetic inherent to so many stone basins. The brackets act as attachment points for countertops, or they can stitch together two sinks with a counter between them. Coordinating wall shelves are optional. Stone choices include Carrara marble, honed basalt and onyx. \$3,350 as pictured (four pieces). 888-682-2987; stoneforest.com.

Honorable Mention

TOTALLY BAMBOO, VESSEL SINK

Master craftsmen hand turn each of these bamboo basins on a massive lathe, then carefully rub the bowl to a satin finish. That's all well and good, but what makes these sinks so noteworthy are all the things that are good about bamboo: it's durable, warm and much easier on the environment than hardwood. A polyurethane finish makes the sink waterproof. \$500. 760-471-6600; totallybamboo.com.



Winner

SONIA, VERSATILE COLLECTION

With its slick, artsy doors and dynamic configuration, this cabinet has a distinct, bath-specific personality, as opposed to typical vanities that look like mere adaptations of kitchen cabinets. All wood used is marine-grade, waterproof and available in four finishes; glass door panels come in an array of colors or graphics. This vanity can be wall-mounted, or it can stand on stainless steel legs. \$7,620, including medicine cabinet. 800-766-4287; sonia-sa.com.



Honorable Mention

LASERTRON, CABINET WITH LIGHTED DOORS

Innovation meets solid construction in this ingenious medicine cabinet. The doors light up, both illuminating the inside of the cabinet and providing a night light for the bathroom. The door frames are stainless steel with welded corners and rolled edges, but with no exposed screws or welds, for a clean appearance. The glass front includes a fingerprint-resistant coating to make upkeep easier. \$495. 945-846-8600; lasertron.com.



Honorable Mention

DURAVIT, HAPPY D SERIES VANITY

Tidy and practical, this vanity provides both useful storage and an attractive profile. As its name indicates, the unit is indeed D-shaped, sporting a curved front that perfectly matches the sink. Inside the cabinet door, which conveniently hides the plumbing, is a glass shelf with double railing to keep supplies in place. The cabinet is shown here in American Walnut. \$1,625. 770-931-3575; duravit.us.



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