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BEAUTIFUL BATHS

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Soothing Baths
That Have It All

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Lift Your Mood p. 16

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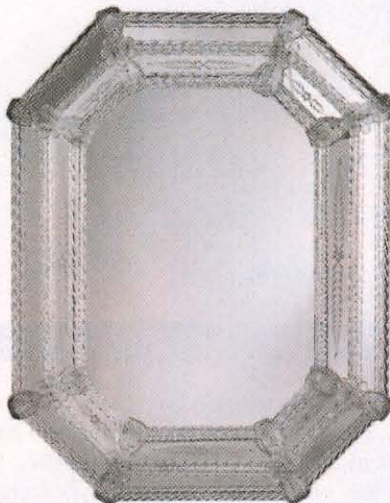
The Classics

Play with tradition by mixing venerated styles.



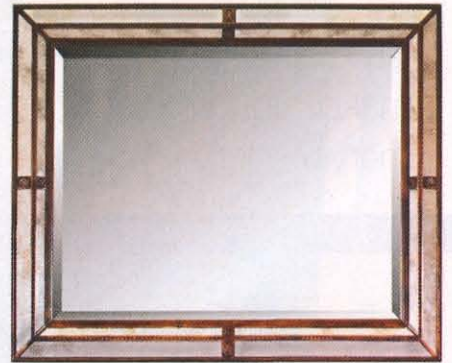
Antique-Inspired

Based on 19th-century European design, a monochromatic tangle of vines is accentuated by boule and water gilt trim. Bella Mirror, \$2,300, Amy Howard, 901/547-1448, amyhowardcollection.com



Dreamy Details

This Italian import is richly adorned in shimmering glass. Octagonal Venetian mirror No. 874 with hand-etched glass, trimmed with glass ribbons and rosettes, \$925, Decorative Crafts, decorativecrafts.com



Aged Finishes

This Flemish-inspired mirror uses hand-rubbed and distressed veneers to create a frame distinguished by imperfections. Black metal strapping adds detail. Chateau Rustique mirror #310-332, \$712.50. Bernhardt, bernhardt.com



Rococo Flowers

Painted flowers and cabriole carved legs create a pretty vanity with an antique European feel. Hand-painted Truffle Black floral carved bathroom vanity with black veined marble top, Maitland-Smith, \$4,050, maitland-smith.com



Neoclassical Curve

This serpentine vanity features late-18th-century lines, inset panels, and gilded wood. CC-26 vanity, \$3,600, Kerns-Wilcheck, 901/527-8429, kernswilcheck.com



Deco Lines

Antique mirror front panels give this straightlined hardwood vanity a retro appeal. Transitional vanity 36", \$3,463, MTI Whirlpools, 800/783-8827, mt whirlpools.com

Better Living

Style is debatable. But a bathroom that calms and relaxes and that makes life happier and easier is always in style. These technological marvels deliver real-life benefits. *By Erin Crawford*

TECHNOLOGY

INFORMATION

BENEFITS

Soak



Imagine having a perfect bath drawn for you at the end of a long day, with exactly the steamy temperature you want and the tub filled all the way up to your sore shoulders. Using LED controls, the new ioDigital Roman Tub remembers preferred bath settings for up to three people. The line also has a vertical spa and shower system.

ioDigital, \$1,220, Moen, 800/289-6636, moen.com/iodigital

Ease,
Time savings



Revitalize

Break out of your routine, starting with the morning shower. A little tilt of the showerhead is all it takes to turn the Hansa2day from a refreshing needle spray to a soft, natural waterfall effect.

Hansa2day, \$218, Hansa, 678/334-2121, hansa.com

Refreshment,
Relaxation

Pamper



Love visiting a spa? The Gentle Ped foot spa comes with the most relaxing elements of a pedicure: a heated foot bath with massaging whirlpool action, plus a foot bar for stretching. You can customize the experience to target the sorest spots on your tired tootsies.

Gentle Ped, from \$973, MTI, 800/783-8827, mtiwhirlpools.com

Relaxation,
Fatigue relief

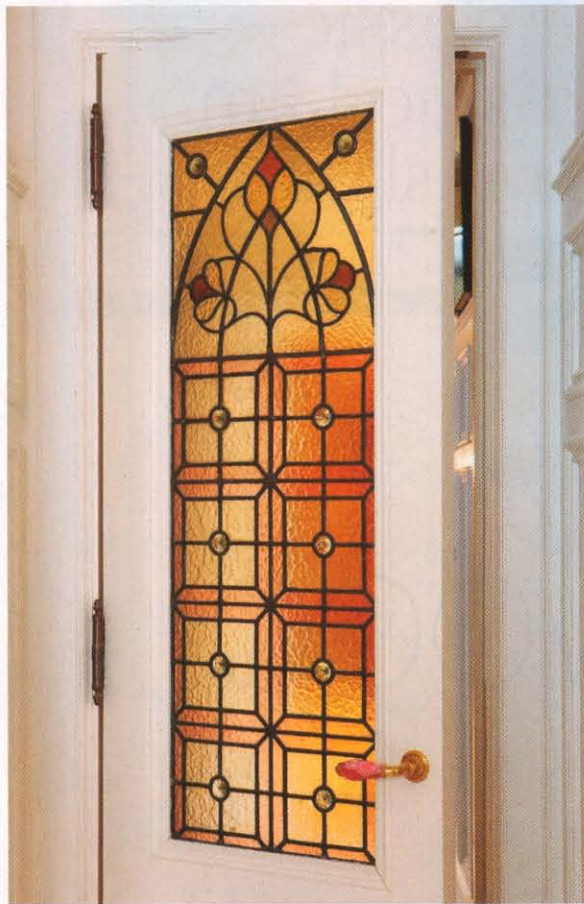
Refresh



The quiet Eterne spa tub uses air and hydrotherapy to create massaging waves and reduce stress. Soothing chromatherapy lighting and a heated backrest ensure that the bath undoes kinks and leaves you feeling peaceful.

Eterne, \$5,450-\$5,550, Pearl Baths, 800/361-2045, maax.com

Muscle
relaxation,
Mood
enhancement



second row of draperies frame the multiple sets of shutters and Austrian lace trimmed in pale pink beading. "It's more pattern and texture at play," Frederick says.

The feminine charms spill over into the dressing room, where a plush rug warms the wood floors and an ornately detailed wardrobe qualifies as a fantasy closet. Built-in drawers and a rounded corner window seat offer regal storage and a dressing perch.

Throughout the bathroom suite, period-style fixtures honor the age of the house. The fairy-tale sink, set into the bowed-out vanity, depicts a tangle of English gardens. And reclaimed stained-glass windows built into the custom doors add the aura of a spiritual retreat.

Charley, in fact, thinks of her bathroom as a refuge. "There's something to be said for creating a space that's all yours," she says. "It's a really nice escape."

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Left: When architect Andrew Reck spotted stained-glass doors in another house, he was quick to pass on the idea to Charley. On the Internet, Charley found reclaimed stained glass from homes in England and had doors made to fit. The door handle, like the door knob on the nearby shower, is crafted from Argentinean pink stone.

Golden Opportunity

GOLD IS MAKING A GLAMOROUS RETURN TO THE FAUCET MARKET, ADDING A DISTINCTIVE, FASHIONABLE SHINE TO THE BATHROOM.

1 Paris wide-spread lavatory faucet Pictured in the velvet-gold finish with Preston handles, this posh faucet delivers on traditional style. From \$479, Watermark Designs, 800/842-7277, watermark-designs.com.

2 Froufrou à manettes Designed by famed interior designer Pierre-Yves Rochon, the white porcelain handles of this faucet are adorned in delicately swirling golden vines. From \$1,163, THG Paris, 954/425-8225, thgusa.com.

3 Purist faucet in vibrant moderne brushed gold An opulent new finish gives a trendsetting look to this edgy faucet. A single-handle design maximizes the streamlined look. \$482.30, Kohler, 800/456-4537, us.kohler.com.

