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Relaxing Soak

Mallory Mathison Glenn, who designed this space with Brandon Ingram, says, "Free-standing tubs, like this one from MTI Baths, are a classic way to create a getaway feel."



PRO TIP "Completely envelop your master bath by matching the color of the cabinets to the walls."

—Brandon Ingram, Atlanta, Architect

MARBLE COUNTERTOPS, inlaid tile floors, and high-end lighting are a few of the luxuries that are becoming standards in master baths. Another is the oversize shower, often outfitted with multiple water sources and benches. A recent Houzz study revealed that nearly a third of Southern homeowners who are renovating their master baths plan to up the size of their

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Spa-Like Baths

The master bath is no longer just for showers and primping—it's a private sanctuary

showers by 50% or more. Many are swapping out shower/bath combos for freestanding soaking tubs. "Our clients want their bathrooms to feel like the luxurious spas they visit while on holiday," says Cathy Austin, a *Southern Living* Designer Network member based in Charlotte, North Carolina. "Soaking tubs have become works of art: larger, sculptural, and used as a focal point under artwork or overlooking a pretty view. Water closets are always included, usually his and hers. Vanities are similarly designed so everyone has their own space." To complement bright white elements, master baths embrace calming and soothing hues like celadon and powdery pink.