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On The Road **LEAK-SENSING TECHNOLOGY**

Fixtures

BainUltra VIBE

The VIBE contemporary bathtub from BainUltra has an ergonomic design engineered to fit the smaller bathrooms common in urban living spaces



without impacting the quality or comfort of the bathing experience. Its clean lines and minimalist style combine with artfully sloped walls. Hydro-Thermo Massage can ease muscle pain and increase circulation, while Illuzio chromatherapy uses colorful lighting to soothe, energize and balance. The free-standing version measures 58 by 28 by 21 inches and is offered in a glossy white, UltraVelour matte or a black-andwhite finish. It is also available as a dropin with undermount option, measuring 60 by 30 by 19 inches or an alcove model that is 60 by 30 by 19 inches. All are crafted of durable acrylic that comes in a glossy white finish. 800-463-2187; www.bainultra.com.



BK Resources Evolution Series

Evolution Series faucets from BK Resources offer T-304

stainless steel precision-machined construction, making them rust- and corrosion-resistant. Stainless steel is more durable than brass, giving these faucets superior longevity. They are lead-free and safe for all types of drinking water. They are available in 4- and 8-inch on-center, as well as splash and deck mount. A full list of replacement parts is available. 888-310-4393; www.bk-resources.com.

GROHE Sense Guard

The GROHE Sense Guard water management system offers reliable protection against costly water



damage by notifying homeowners about excess moisture or leaks using a convenient smartphone app. It uses multiple sensors to track water pressure and the flow of water and to measure general water consumption. It automatically turns off the water supply when it exceeds a specific maximum set by the user. Installed by a professional installer directly to the main water pipe of a home, the smart water controller measures the system temperature to indicate the risk of frost, detects leaks, and shuts off the water supply automatically when a pipe bursts and water consumption passes a certain threshold. It also conducts periodic micro leakage tests by measuring and tracking pressure drops in the waterline so that the homeowner can detect leaks - through a notification via the GROHE ONDUS smartphone app — immediately before major damage can occur. 800-444-7643; www.grohe.us.

Mansfield Plumbing **Products Summit Pro**

The Summit Pro toilet from Mansfield Plumbing Products has a color match metal trip lever and faceted tank lines to blend nicely with any decor. It uses 1.6 gallons per flush and is available in five bowl configurations in 10- and 12-inch rough-in sizes. Right- and left-hand tanks are available.



It includes a Fluidmaster fill valve, and its 3-inch Rigid Flapper flush valve requires less force to flush, is more consistent and uses a simple, universal repair part/seal. Its SmartFasten tankto-bowl connection system installs quickly and provides a sturdy, leak-free connection between tank and bowl. It has a PuraClean easy-to-clean glaze. 877-850-3060; www.mansfieldplumbing.com.

MTI Baths Hudson

The Hudson from MTI Baths has a vintage-inspired design embellished with a raised linear detail. It is constructed from a mineral



composite material crafted from a blend of high-grade minerals mined from quarries in Georgia. Each piece is treated with a high-performance polyresin coating resulting in a high-gloss white finish that is highly insulating for luxurious soaks that stay warm longer. The nonporous surface is durable, resistant to stains, scratches and UV damage, and it is easy to clean and maintain. The mineral composite tubs are engineered with generous proportions, deep bathing wells and strategic lumbar support for a comfortable bathing experience. 800-783-8827; www.mtibaths.com.