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WATER FRONT

FOR THE LOVE OF MODERN

Six inspirational baths share an affinity for clean lines and pure materials. To “get the look,” we sourced the latest fixtures, fittings and accessories to help you outfit your bath and create your own version of modern love.

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MODERN GLAM

When Compass real estate agent Alexis Donnerstag and her husband, Patrick, built their house, they opted for glamour in their new powder room. Inspiration struck close to home: At AKDO, her husband’s family tile business, Donnerstag fell for a glamorous mosaic stone tile with brass inlay. The mosaic offered an array of design combinations that would add an elegant note to the powder room. The floor and wall behind the vanity were covered with this mosaic, while the opposite wall was decorated with a denser-patterned Calacatta tile. Donnerstag worked with her contractor to achieve the playful-yet-elegant pattern, which is crafted from four different tiles. To set off the mosaic, the walls on either side were painted white, and black graphic accents were added with the window and custom vanity. A quartz countertop was chosen for the sink, and pops of warm golds and brass complete the look.

The Gold Standard The floor and walls of this powder room are dressed with AKDO’s Ethereal and Beam tile collections in Calacatta marble accented with brass inlay. The window is by Jeld-Wen and the toilet is by Toto. A custom vanity is topped with a quartz surface from AKDO and a Ronbow vessel sink. The Watermark faucet, Rejuvenation mirror and Circa Lighting all add to the golden glam of this bathroom. See Resources.



MARKETPLACE



1. The **RH** Astoria mirror shows off its curves in lacquered burnished brass. *RH, Greenwich, rh.com.*
2. Customizable in color and size, the **Oomph** Kensington vanity base is shown here in Club Navy. *Greenwich, oomphome.com.*
3. The **Brizo** Invari bath collection flaunts finely ridged coining and a faceted base. Available through *Best Plumbing Tile & Stone, Stamford, bestplg.com, brizo.com.*
4. Touchless technology activates the flushing mechanism on the Nexus Washlet by **Toto**. Available through *FW. Webb, Stamford, fwwebb.com, toto.com.*
5. The Aerin-designed Penz cylindrical sconce by **Visual Comfort** is finished in a handrubbed antique brass with white glass. Available through *Circa Lighting, circalighting.com, aerin.com, visualcomfort.com.*
6. **Kallista**'s Myam elliptical vessel sink is accentuated with a shiny bronze interior and a contrasting matte white exterior finish. Available through the *Kohler Signature Store, Westport, kohlersignaturestorewestport.com, kallista.com.*
7. **Robern**'s Uplift cabinet door lifts vertically to reveal an illuminated interior with integrated USB charge ports and electrical outlets. Available through the *Kohler Signature Store, Westport, kohlersignaturestorewestport.com, robern.com.*
8. Accessorize cabinetry with decorative hardware from **Belwith-Keeler**'s Sinclair collection in brushed golden brass. Available through *Bender, Norwalk, benderplumbing.com, belwith-keeler.com.*

OPPOSITE PAGE: MARCO RICCA

ZEN MODERN

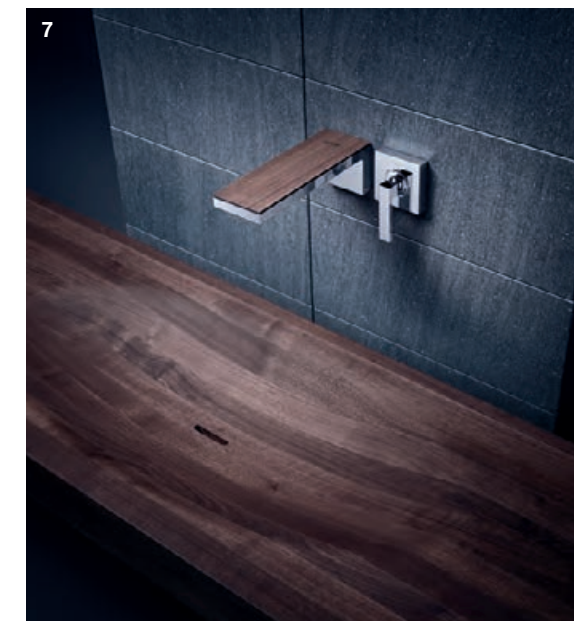
The owners of this master bathroom spent many years working and traveling in Japan and the Far East and wanted to create a simple, Zen-like feeling in their space. A collaborative team made up of architect Peggy Rubens-Duhl, interior designer Havilande Whitcomb and the homeowners worked together to ensure functionality and accessibility. Views of the water and aging in place drove the overall design of this master bath. Careful selection of materials—such as teak wood for the two vanities, frosted glass for the shower enclosure, and the tile on the floor—reflect the desired Zen aesthetic. Rubens-Duhl and Whitcombe worked to discreetly include accessibility components: The textured surface of the floor tile offers a nonslip surface, a bench adjacent to the tub allows for easy and safe transfers, and lower vanities give additional space for easy circulation.



East Meets West Expansive Marvin windows bathe this room with light and call attention to the water view. A soaking tub by MTI Baths is set on an AKDO tile floor. The teak vanity and tub surround were constructed by Marlon Architectural Woodworking. Light fixtures are by WAC Lighting and plumbing fixtures are by Toto. See Resources.



MARKETPLACE



OPPOSITE PAGE: ROBERT GRANT

- 1. Native Trail's** Solace collection mirror is offered with an optional oak shelf. Available through Bender, Norwalk, benderplumbing.com, nativetrailshome.com.
- The **Hudson Company's** Burmese teak flooring is prized for its natural beauty and water-resistant qualities. Ridgefield, thehudsonco.com.
- The **Hastings** Urban line of bathroom vanities offers design flexibility with a variety of options and finishes. Available through Hastings Tile & Bath, A&D, hastingstilebath.com.
- Ideal for seating or stacking towels, the Humboldt table from **Serena & Lily** is constructed of solid teak. Westport, serenaandlily.com.
- Thermasol's** Serenity rainhead combines chromotherapy and sound for a soothing shower experience. Available through Waterware Showrooms, Stamford, waterwareshowrooms.com, thermasol.com.
- The Cáscara tub from **MTI Baths** is designed with an extended deck for easy entry and exit. Available through Torcco, Fairfield, torccodesigncenter.com, mtibaths.com.
- Axor's** MyEdition faucet is customizable with cover plates in chrome, leather, marble, glass and wood. Available through Torcco, Stamford, torccodesigncenter.com, axor-design.com.
- Thompson Traders'** Puebla sink is handcrafted in hammered black nickel. Available through F.W. Webb, Stamford, fwwebb.com, thompsontraders.com.