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Elevate Your Lifestyle With An Aspire Custom Home Dialogue with a Designer: Diana Martin

BEYOND MINIMALISM

These New Design Trends Celebrate Texture, Fabulous Finishes And Hidden Assets To Elevate The Space!

Whether you're looking to renovate an existing home or new construction, one of the biggest decisions is the overall decor direction. A minimalist space is timeless and appeals to all. But to keep the room interesting and uniquely yours, investing in well-appointed fixtures is

a great way to make a statement. Here are some bold choices when it comes to kitchen and bath design. From golden finishes in the bath to kitchen sinks with hidden assets, these brands deliver big style reaching beyond minimalism.



Counter-sinks from MTI Baths

SEAMLESS SENSATION

MTI Baths brings a distinctive design twist to the bathroom with an extraordinary collection of custom counter-sinks. Their clever fusion of sink and countertop results in a sleek, seamless look that is impressively adaptable and always a perfect fit. Personalized designs are offered in a variety of configurations and may be made to order according to counter length, depth and height as well as bowl style and placement. This amazing versatility makes counter-sinks a smart choice for small powder rooms where a wall-mounted design can maximize space, as well as luxurious master baths with ample room for double bowls and a generous expanse of countertop. The counter-sinks are crafted from the brand's proprietary SculptureStone material, a mostly organic blend of natural stone and minerals that gives the look and feel of molded stone. Each piece is completely solid all the way through with a smooth-to-the-touch surface that is non-porous, easy to clean, and resistant to stains, mold and mildew. All MTI counter-sinks are made in the United States and are meticulously finished by hand for years of lasting beauty.



Ibiza Collection with built-in glass rinser from Ruvati

RINSE AND REPEAT

Ruvati just added an innovative new model to their line of workstation sinks for the wet bar. Imagine the convenience of having a sink with a built-in glass rinser to quickly clean everything from coffee mugs to wine goblets. The new Ibiza Collection features a patent-pending design with dynamic jets that can easily and efficiently rinse drinkware to save time and effort when doing the dishes. The Ibiza sink is designed to maximize efficiency in a small space. In addition to the built-in glass rinser, the sink comes with a beautiful wood cutting board that spans the width of the basin to increase prep area and a rinse grid to allow glassware to drip-dry safely. Measuring 22" wide and 20" long with a 10" deep bowl, the Ibiza brings impressive productivity to compact workspaces. It's perfect for a home bar, RV or tiny house setting.

INFUSING FASHION INTO THE BATHROOM

Gessi conflates the worlds of fashion and home design into the extraordinary Habito Collection. Inspired by the



Habito from GESSI

concept of "private wellness tailoring," Habito makes use of woven metal as a tailor would fabric for a suit, carefully fitting and shaping to create elegant silhouettes. The threedimensional texture of the metal invites one to touch. The Habito collection features five distinctive patterns, each a masterpiece of intricate detailing that mimics a classic textile. Select from a variety of mixers for the basin, tub and shower as well as shower heads, sprayers and body jets, wall-hung bidets and toilets, and towel rails, robe hooks and soap holders.

A NEW LOOK FOR LEVERS

Viaggio Hardware has just introduced a new Contempo Fluted Lever. This beautiful design feels as good as it looks

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Viaggio Hardware's Fluted Levers

with a subtle linear groove pattern that adds an unexpected tactile element to every encounter. Crafted from solid forged brass, these distinctive levers are substantial to the touch and appealing to the eye. The Fluted Lever is the latest

addition to Viaggio's popular Contempo Collection. The lever can be paired with any of the brand's square or circular rosettes for a truly custom look. Levers are offered in five trend-setting finishes: Bright Chrome, Satin Black, Satin Brass, Satin Nickel and Titanium Gray. Viaggio hardware is built for lasting beauty and performance. Each element is precision-polished for a flawless finish. All sets feature a Concealed Screw Mechanism which neatly hides installation hardware for a seamless finished look with no visible fasteners. An impressive 28-degree latch radius ensures smooth use and reliable operation.

MODERN JAPANESE BATH

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efforts to enhance municipal projects, forever ingrained in the fabric of their beloved community.

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of every style, etching timeless memories into the very foundations of these homes.

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soaking bath, Acquabella adds a modern twist with their Elko bathtub. Measuring 27" tall, this tub is generously sized to allow for total submersion, while its ergonomic shape gently cradles the body in utter comfort. The Elko has a compact design with a relatively small footprint, making it a smart choice for smaller bathrooms with limited floor space. The Elko is seamlessly sculpted from the brand's signature Dolotek, an eco-friendly mineral composite that forms a flawless, silky, smooth-to-the-tone finish. With an inherent ability to retain heat, Dolotek elevates the bath experience by helping to keep bathwater warm longer. Its antibacterial surface is amazingly durable and easy to maintain. Elko is generously sized at 55" x

To find out more about the hardware and fixture products mentioned here, visit their websites:

www.mtibaths.com • www.ruvati.com www.gessi.com • www.viaggiohardware.com www.acquabella.us 31" and is available in Snow white (gloss or matte), Brown Matte, Light Grey Matte, Dark Grey Matte and Black Matte. Always with a Snow White interior.



Elko by Acquabella