

A Simple Guide to Creating the Perfect Bathroom - Part 1

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Shower Baths - make the most of your space

Even a small bathroom can accommodate a spacious bath, but you can give your bathroom more versatility with an added shower without the need for additional floor space. Shower units add an extra dimension to the daily cleanliness routine. A simple fitting by professionals or a DIY enthusiast of a bar valve, concealed or exposed shower above your bath can provide another choice of washing experience. Some baths are designed to be dual purpose with a shower end affording more space in which to turn and wash.

Shower Cubicles - add some style!

If your bathroom is larger, why not install a shower cubicle? Shower trays can occupy a floor space of between only 70 square centimetres and just over 1 square metre? Choose from either a corner quadrant design or square or a spacious rectangular depending on the size and shape of your bathroom. The shower cubicle itself comprises a floor standing shower tray typically made from stone resin which feels like ceramic to the touch, a shower enclosure constructed from toughened safety glass and stylish aluminium, and the shower unit itself. These vary in design, from traditional to contemporary. Many modern showers have anti-scald devices built in and are suitable for most water pressures and boilers, ensuring a perfect shower every time whether its that quick and purposeful morning shower or before that big night out, or a long invigorating indulgence.

Baths - customize and relax!

A long, relaxing soak in a bath can be time out from a hard day's work. Luxuriate in a warm and cosy atmosphere by turning out the light and lighting a few candles and immerse yourself in hot, deep soothing water. Many baths are now made "undrilled" so you can choose the type of taps you feel will fit in with the kind of bathroom you want: traditional or modern. Aside from standard, large size and shaped baths, have you ever thought of installing a whirlpool bath? Coming in standard bath sizes a whirlpool bath has 6 to 8 built in jets that create a skin-tingling sensation. Your bathroom could be just like your own personal health resort!

Heated Towel Rails - space saving luxury

Once you've had your bath or shower the first thing reached for is a towel. A heated towel, rather than a cold towel, feels so much more snug and cosy than a cold towel straight from the cupboard or vanity unit. Usually wall-standing, heated towel rails are typically made from stylish chrome can hold at least a dozen towels and plumb directly into the central heating system. With a heated towel rail, think of all that extra storage space you'll have in the airing cupboard!

Installation - DIY or professional

Although many bathroom items such as baths, showers and heated towel rails can be installed by the DIY enthusiast, it's worth investigating professional help from plumbers and electricians or companies that specialise in

complete bathroom fitting. Costs vary, so shop around.

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