

The Top 4 Bathroom Design Trends for 2018

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Beautiful tilework is at the forefront of modern bathroom design trends.

There's no better time than the new year to start thinking about revamping your home. Renovating a bathroom takes quite a bit of time and patience, so it's worth doing a bit of planning ahead of time. Need some inspiration? Consider these bathroom design trends going into 2018.



More Built-in Storage

Technology rules our lives today, even in the bathroom. Homeowners are using their smartphones and media devices more often to play music and stay connected while they're showering or getting ready for the day. To accommodate our increasingly digital lifestyles, more built-in storage units are needed. One popular trend is to hide electrical outlets within drawers and shelves in order to conceal charging stations, and also for hair dryers and other equipment. This helps create a functional space that still looks clean and transitional.



Transitional Style

Transitional style bathrooms are set to overtake the more popular contemporary framework. The National Kitchen and Bath Association reports that transitional bathrooms are becoming more and more popular every year, especially in the Northeast. This style of bathroom marries traditional and contemporary design for a more sophisticated, timeless aesthetic.

Creative Tilework

In the past few years patterned and geometric tiles have become incredibly popular. Tile is beautiful, low-maintenance, and particularly suited for rooms that get wet, such as bathrooms. Basketweave and windmill patterns look chic and modern. Herringbone tile looks sophisticated, and you can always throw in a splash of color for some visual drama. Large format tiles have been trending in Europe and Australia for some time now, offering the benefit of creating a seamless spatial illusion.



Aging-In-Place Amenities

As the baby boomer generation grows older, “aging-in-place” amenities are gaining more broad scale acceptance. Aging-in-place refers to designs that make the space comfortable regardless of age. For example, taking out the large soaking tubs and adding a large walk-in no threshold shower. Other additional must haves are grab bars, higher vanity heights, roll outs in the cabinets and chair-height toilets are all features you can expect to see more of. If you’re someone who’s planning to live somewhere for a while, these are features worth considering.

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