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Our goal is to think outside of the box by presenting interior design information with a fresh and modern approach, making us stand out from other home design magazines.

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Whitehaus Collection’s Magic Flush toilets deliver a powerful flushing performance and feature a WaterSense certified and CUPC approved design to help conserve water. The dual-flush toilets are estimated to save a family of 4 up to 10,000 gallons of water a year. Because these high efficiency toilets are made from vitreous china, the toilets have a resistance to acid, abrasion, and staining.

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Many homeowners strive to have a home with a designer touch. Although it may seem so, this is not something that’s impossible to achieve. With a little creativity and a lot of attention to detail, you can create a designer-esque kitchen of your dreams. Gather some inspiration with these tips below.

**Sleek Hardware**
New cabinet hardware is an easy update that will make a huge difference in the look of your kitchen. Something as simple as replacing your round gold knobs for some sleek stainless steel pull handles will make all the difference in the world!

**Built-Ins**
Custom built in cabinets are the way to achieve the look of a designer kitchen. When designing a kitchen layout, focus on maximizing your space. Make sure you meet all your kitchen needs when it comes to storage and functionality during this process.

**Mixed Style Cabinets**
Don’t be afraid to mix and match. It’s very easy to choose just one set of cabinets you like. Get creative and go for two. This works exceptionally well when you have a kitchen island. Miss-matched islands are currently very trendy and this technique really adds that designer touch to your kitchen. Pick two styles that complement each other and you can’t go wrong.

**Custom Range**
If your budget allows room for it, a gorgeous custom range will add some much needed character to your kitchen. Customize your range to fit all of your cooking needs. Taking center stage in the kitchen, a beautiful one-of-a-kind range will for sure be a talking piece among your guests!

**Crown Molding**
Crown molding is an easy and affordable way to add a custom look to your kitchen. It’s also great for filling soffit space above your cabinets, making them look like a custom set. Choose a decorative mold with intricate details to add a luxurious touch.

**Decorative Accents**
Catch the eyes of your guests with unique decorative accents. Similar to crown molding, this is an affordable way to add a designer look to your kitchen. Try to find pieces that resemble a piece of artwork, such as a custom pottery bowl or an antique cake plate. These accents will stand out to your quests and quickly become conversational pieces.

The design and decor of your home is something that will forever evolve as trends and styles come and go. Take your time, do some research, and you can without a doubt create the kitchen of your dreams.
Scott Dresner possesses the rare combination of expertise in both construction and design. Having started his cabinetry company in his garage at age 20, Dresner quickly grew it into a multi-million dollar business. The company expanded from 2 employees to more than 70, and Dresner soon designed and built out new headquarters for the company to the tune of a 15,000 square foot, fully automated cabinet factory – one of the largest in Metropolitan Detroit. Amazingly, this was all accomplished before Scott’s 26th birthday. It is this type of unflagging passion, dedication and expertise that has afforded Scott the ability to maintain his position as an innovator in the cabinetry industry today, and for the last 30 years. After selling his business in 1997, Scott set his sights across the globe and fell head over heels for Italian cabinetry. His love did not go unrequited, as he soon became the sole US distributor of one of the largest cabinetry manufacturers in Italy. Dresner remains recognized in the industry today as a pioneer who brought reasonably priced high-end Italian cabinetry to America.
Passion for design and building, from this Midwest native, is no surprise. Scott is the nephew of fashion icon Linda Dresner and renowned real estate developer Milton Dresner. He credits each of them for introducing him to a world of building and design at a very young age. "They taught me about design, function and quality and how to integrate all three elements into my life and business" he says. “I've lived conscious of design my entire life.”

Scott has worked in all facets of the cabinetry business for the past 30+ years, including completing thousands of units for developers across the country in multi-unit developments, designing and building kitchens, baths and wall-units in celebrity homes and residential estates, building and designing office furnishings in commercial spaces and designing and installing store fixtures in retail locations. All in all, he has designed and installed over 7000 kitchens and baths across the country. Dresner’s vast understanding of construction and his talent in design, has allowed him to create some of the most exquisite kitchens, baths and office spaces in the market today.

Dresner, a licensed builder for over 20 years, is also a highly accomplished renovation and construction expert and has worked in building renovation and construction since the early 80’s. His expertise and experience extends to both residential and commercial properties.

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1 Proper Lighting

Lighting must be given a lot of consideration when planning your bathroom renovation. There are three types of lighting that Laurie believes are important in any bathroom. The first is that all lighting needs to be on a dimmer. Dimmers allow you to set the desired mood and atmosphere in the space. The second type of fixture Laurie always incorporates into her designs are ambiance sconces and/or a chandelier. These elegant fixtures are a great way to make a statement and show personal style. The third lighting necessary for a bathroom, especially for women, is task lighting for makeup application. For additional impact, Laurie also suggests lighting the inside of the vanity drawers and the medicine cabinet. Lighting in these areas are unexpected and really elevate a space.

2 Maximize Space with a “Wet Room”

As one of the smallest rooms in the house, it’s important to make the bathroom look as large as possible. Laurie suggests designing a “wet room,” which is essentially a bathtub within the shower. The shower should also have a minimal amount of glass. This creates a more open feel to the space.
3 To Hardware or Not to Hardware

When it comes to hardware Laurie believes in one of two extremes: handles as a statement, or no handles at all. Of course, this decision often depends on what feel the space is trying to achieve.

Visually, removing handles from flat panel cabinets creates the perfect streamlined look that is ubiquitous in contemporary design. Another option is to install motorized drawers that simply open with the slight touch of your hand.

If the client desires drawer handles, Laurie suggests choosing hardware that adds an interesting focus to the space and compliments the other elements of the design. In bath design, Laurie suggests picking one element to repeat itself throughout the space. In this particular bathroom, the vanity handles and details on the sconces mimic one another to create a cohesive and visually pleasing space.

4 Built-In Drawer Organizers

Laurie stresses that the bathroom is no exception when it comes to organization. She often incorporates built-in drawer organizers for vitamins, beauty products, and other toiletries. Laurie often repurposes kitchen spice inserts into the bathroom drawers to neatly organize her client’s vitamins and medicines. For styling tools, she designs custom pullout drawers with containers for a hairdryer, curling iron or straightener. Laurie feels it’s important to build these organizational systems into a bathroom as they help us manage our daily routines.

5 Color

Without exception, Laurie says all plumbing fixtures should be white. White toilet, white sinks, white tub. Additionally Laurie sticks to colors that are soothing and spa-like, particularly blues, greens and whites. Combined with warm woods, the result is a tranquil and relaxing bathroom with a spa like feel.

See page 30 for Laurie's Designer Spotlight
2016 TOP TRENDS

Refresh your home this year with these top trends
TREND | Industrial Accents

Industrial design has been on trend all throughout 2015. From dining sets and ceiling beams, the industrial trend has moved into light fixtures, stools and decorative accents.

In order to pull off a modern industrial style, you need just the right amount of contrast. Go for white cabinets and counters with steel pendant lighting and bronze accents for the perfect combination.

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TREND | Dark & Dramatic

Black is without a doubt a dramatic and forever stylish color. Don’t be hesitant to bring black into your bathroom in 2016. While it is still a bold choice, this dark shade looks truly elegant when done tastefully.

Choosing the right finish will make all the difference when working with black fixtures. This bathroom features a black stone above mount sink with matte black geometric tiles, combining natural and contemporary elements seamlessly.

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**TREND | Black Kitchens**

Black colored appliances and materials are popping up in kitchens of all styles. From black antiqued cabinets to black stainless steel, this is a versatile trend we see sticking around for a while.

Balance is key when working with black. It’s important to choose a light contrasting shade for other areas of the kitchen, as an all black kitchen can be very overwhelming.

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**TREND | Geometric Tiles**

Geometric patterns have been a staple in the architecture and interior design industry for decades now. Geometric backsplashes in particular are gaining more popularity in modern homes today because of the versatility and countless options. Creating a geometric pattern for your kitchen backsplash is an easy way to get creative and add visual interest.
TREND | Mixed Metals

Mixing metals in the bathroom adds a sense of interest and dimension. When choosing finishes for your lighting, decorative hardware and plumbing fixtures, you don't have to be so matchy.

On the same note, be careful not to go overboard. To be safe, choose two finishes to use throughout the room. Too many metals can start to seem confusing and you can easily lose the balance of your decor.

TREND | Marine Blue

Ocean blue shades have without a doubt taken the role as the new black for 2016. This deep rich hue can be used as a neutral shade, pairing well with nearly any metal finish.

Marine blue has been popping up all over the design industry. From textiles and paint colors to furniture and cabinets, we will be seeing a lot of this shade this year.

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TREND | *Mismatched Cabinetry*

One of the hardest things about designing your kitchen can be choosing your cabinets. You want to choose a cabinet that you know you'll enjoy for a while.

Why settle on one color when you can choose two? Bring some contrast and dimension into your kitchen by choosing two cabinet colors. Keep the opposing trend throughout the kitchen with reverse countertops to balance out your color palette.

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TREND | *Reclaimed Wood*

Reclaimed wood is more popular than ever before. This eco-friendly trend can be used in so many ways.

The bathroom is a great place to bring in natural elements such as wood. Traditionally bathroom materials consist of a lot of glass, tile and marble finishes which can leave the space feeling cold and stale. Incorporating reclaimed wood will add just the right amount of texture and warmth.

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Houses into Homes, based out of Hartford County, Connecticut, creates beautiful spaces that are seamlessly crafted by skilled experts that reflect the design our clients have always envisioned. Whatever the needs or challenges the project presents, I handle all the details from beginning to end, ensuring a timely and accurate completion of my client’s dreams.

One of my favorite parts of being an interior designer is working with the clients. I find out what their wants and needs are, capture their style and vision, which leads to creating a new one of a kind environment.

I then work to create a design plan using CAD and developing professional boards to show the visual concept of the space. This process allows for an organized plan that the client can visually understand. As shown in the kitchen design pictures, using a presentation board the client has a clear idea of how the finishes will look together. This client was looking for a formal traditional style but being located on the shoreline, I wanted to create a lighter feeling. I accomplished this through by using lighter cabinets as the uppers and using a tone on tone scheme.

Start to finish, consistent follow up with clients upon project’s completion assuring the project exceeds the clients expectations. The goal of any design through Houses into Homes is done to make impact on peoples’ daily lives through the comfort and style of their most personal space, their homes. My goal is to turn your house into the home you have been dreaming of!
"We’re designing quality homes that provide more comfort, more durability, more functionality and greater value.”

- Irena Škoda, ŠKODA Design + Architecture
EFFICIENT HOME DESIGN

An interview with sustainable design architect Irena Škoda

IRENA ŠKODA

The lead design principal and founder of ŠKODA Design + Architecture, pllc (SD+A), Irena Škoda is a consultant, speaker and a sustainable performance strategist best known for her creative and contemplative approach to design which combines aesthetics and sustainability.

She is also president and one of the founders of The Designers and Builders Alliance of Long Island and a frequent speaker on topics related to meaningful residential design for homeowners, members of the design and construction industry and real estate professionals.

What does it mean to live sustainably? While the word sustainable is complex and difficult to achieve, it's a simple concept that will allow you to enhance the comfort of your living space. Kitchen Bath Trends interviews Irena Škoda to get some expert advice on how to have a sustainable home.

KBT: What makes a house a sustainable home?

IS: A sustainable home is one that is not only energy efficient but also more comfortable and better built than a standard home. It is a much healthier home to live in. When homeowners decide to seek a sustainable home they are looking for more comfort. As a poll by the Shelton Group showed, fewer than 38% of Americans understand what sustainable terms such as high performance, net zero home and even efficient home mean. It is a home that is good for all the above, but also good for a homeowner’s pocketbook because there is no waste, and there is always a greater value.

Many times people think a sustainable home is one that uses efficient appliances, low flow water fixtures, has a smaller home footprint, solar panels on the roof or upgraded mechanical systems for more energy efficiency. While these are all good practices, true sustainability starts with the exterior of the home’s construction. These methodologies are what I call obvious solutions and are primarily what people can visually see. They are promoted as efficient features that get higher value because they are marketable. It’s also much easier to relate to something that we can physically touch or see than something that is hidden inside a wall.

In order to have a sustainable home, you need to go to the root of the problem. Standard homes are leaky homes, and a better built, quality construction is necessary in order to truly be more comfortable within the home. By having the properly insulated walls and triple pane glass windows, the envelope has less thermal bridging or heat losses during the winter and cooling losses in the summer.

When you buy a coat that has holes in it, of course you don’t feel comfortable…the same holds true for our standard homes. Standard homes are leaky, and as a result, need to make up for the losses with over-designed mechanical equipment. When you create a super insulated exterior with no thermal bridging, or what is called a PassivHaus, you create a more comfortable interior. As a result, you’ll need less mechanical equipment, yielding a balance in the savings. In fact, a sustainable home can actually be in line with standard costs, while offering greater benefits. A PassivHaus can add some expense but the results for its comfort and indoor air quality can’t be surpassed, at least for now.

The basic idea of a PassivHaus is that the home is airtight and that warm air won’t leak out in the winter, and cool air won’t leak out in the summer. Windows are three panes thick, and there is far more insulation than you would find in a standard American home.

Fresh outdoor air is incorporated into the home without altering the internal temperature by mechanical systems you would not find in a conventional house. For example, heat-recovery ventilators (HRV) are able to draw the heat from outgoing air without mixing the air streams, but exchange the heat with incoming air from the outside in the winter. The opposite exchange occurs in the summer. The HRV introduces fresh air to the home and improves climate control while promoting energy efficient use. (1990 – German physicist, Wolfgang Feist – first passive house).

The result: You can sit by a window on a cold winter day and feel comfortable.

PassivHaus is a construction methodology which also uses a PHPP software that provides a sophisticated method for designing and constructing...
buildings that use very low levels of energy so design architects can better determine what to design for.

We help our clients put the right materials in place and make it understandable so that all they think about is the way they want to live in their home and have an optimal family lifestyle. They can then focus on the type of spaces they want to have that are beautiful and enjoyable for them and their families. We explain the concepts in simple terms that make sense to them. Why would you have to pay utility bills if you can have a better result for free? Most of the time homeowners put solar on their roof without having a high performing exterior (which is like putting the cart before the horse).

Single family homes or even multi-family buildings can be designed this way. Having been involved with residential design for over 25 years, knowing how to save money and make money for our clients is ingrained in my design philosophy. By investing in the design, homeowners can benefit with both greater property value and better living.

**KBT: What are three must-haves for a sustainable kitchen?**

**IS:**

1.) **Orientation** – natural sunlight.
Most of the time you should not need a lot of downlights in a kitchen because with accent lighting and under counter lighting the emphasis is on placing the lighting where it is needed.

For our clients and even in my own home, I have two LED downlights and one island light. The two downlights are over the sink area and the work area. The island light is a decorative accent light. The rest of the lighting is in the cabinets where glass shelves and china can be displayed or under the upper cabinets. Anytime I want to create a different mood in my kitchen, I have the right lighting. It’s efficient because we don’t have all the lights on at the same time and use only what we need.

In one of our sustainable townhouse projects on the Upper West Side, we are using fiber optic lights that are connected to solar collectors that actually will bring natural daylight into the light fixture itself. Connecting this to smart home technologies, this townhouse will allow the system to turn the rest of the lights off when there is adequate natural lighting coming into the space.

Originally the townhouse was three stories and the owner added two additional stories and a rear addition. The home is designed as a PassivHaus home, aiming to be LEED Platinum, and meets the Living Building Challenge for Red List compliance with no use of toxic chemicals on the interior.

2.) **Layout** - open concept.
Back in the old days, the kitchen was tucked away and out of site almost like a mechanical room. But today, we know that the kitchen is the main focus of the home. The “golden triangle” for functionality and workflow came about in the 1950s and defined the standard configuration of a functional kitchen. It took 700 years for the kitchen to became the heart of the home, as it used to be in the early centuries with the beginnings of the hearth in the single room.

3.) **Appliances and Gadgets** - Aesthetic features.
Energy star appliances, recycled materials or reclaimed wood are something of the norm nowadays. Having the right look and feel of appliances adds to the overall aesthetics of kitchen design. Today, more kitchens are about having the kitchen feel like a piece of furniture within the open living space. The kitchen has become so important today that we even create family rooms or open eat-in spaces around it that allow for multifunctionality. Modern day families with children love having the ability to cook in the kitchen while seeing their children do their homework in the open dining space.

**KBT: What makes a sustainable bathroom?**

**IS:** We are designing homes that make even the bathroom an experience. In the olden days, the sink was by the bedside so when people got out of bed they washed their hands and face. Then, when the sewers began to mix with the fresh water supply, people
turned to makeup, perfume and linens to cover up the dirt.

It was not until 1885 that Thomas Twyford built the first vitreous-china toilet. The centralized “bathroom” didn’t become mainstream until indoor plumbing and permanent water closets became the standard at the end of the 19th century. By the 1920s, American building codes required indoor bathrooms in all new single-family residential construction. People of all ages and abilities need to be able to safely, comfortably, and efficiently perform the basic tasks of body cleansing and elimination. In addition, bathrooms have traditionally been a place to attend to the less tangible – but no less important – needs of personal well-being: a place for solitude and relaxation, for sensuous pleasure, and for rituals of personal care and grooming. Our homes should perform like "machines for living," as the famous architect Le Corbusier said more than 90 years ago.

The three things to consider when designing a bathroom today are:

1. Water conservation and innovation through codes and optimized fixtures.
2. The right dehumidification.
3. More health-oriented technologies that provide data such as an ability to test urine and send the results to your doctor.

KBT: What is your opinion on Low-No VOC paint? Is it essential for a sustainable home?

IS: Not many people get the term VOC (volatile organic compound), but in every industry having non-toxic materials is important. The Living Building Challenge which has the most rigorous guidelines for meeting sustainability came out with the “Red List” which lists most toxic chemicals. It’s a good source to look at if you are concerned about the chemical make up of how we are building our buildings. Our Manhattan townhouse project on the Upper West Side is aiming to be PH and LEED Platinum as well as compliant with the LBC Red List for the interior of all the materials we are using on the inside so we can optimize a healthier indoor environment.

KBT: Since you began your sustainable journey, what are the most cutting edge advances you’ve seen in the industry so far?

IS: I started to think like an architect at the very young age of 10 because of the five-story walk-up - 30 unit apartment building I lived in at the time. My father was a computer engineer, my mother a registered head nurse, and my biggest influence was my leadership teacher from high school who loved nature so much she used to tell me I got her hooked on watching the Nature Show on TV. Given these disciplines: technology, health, leadership and nature, will create cutting edge advances which we aim to design for.

I think that advances in technology will always continue and it is a matter of defining as a design architect the diminishing returns. I help clients find a balance between expenditures and gains to give them the best home for the money they are willing to spend. Today a sustainable home does not need to cost more and, in fact, it should outweigh standard construction costs.

Eg. Knowing when enough insulation is enough. As design architects, we are at an amazing turning point since the technology will inform designers how to design buildings through the use of ever evolving and sophisticated technologies. This data will, in turn, be used for operations in the future and monitoring- a huge advantage from prior years where our homes were simply considered boxes. Today designing a home is a science and a home, like a car, should come with a manual. Our biggest asset, our home, has no manual. The more advanced homes, such as PassivHaus homes, usually do come with a manual. This is nothing to be afraid of as increasingly the technology is simple and just a matter of letting it do what it needs to do. In a PassivHaus, there probably would be no need for a homeowner to adjust the thermostat as the air quality will be comfortable. Occupants will feel comfortable even if the windows are open in the heart of winter.

As the technology advances, we are seeing more advances in durability, quality and sustainability as a choice in values that starts with the occupants. We are rethinking our present day mechanisms and current standard technology that came about during the Industrial Era. We need to streamline all of that as well as think differently about the way we live and work today.

"Technology alone will not make a sustainable world, people will."  
- Irena Škoda

With sufficient computational power and speed, buildings could evolve the way any living system does and make design less expensive, faster, smarter, more efficient, more sustainable, and more beautiful. Becoming smart about the way buildings look should go hand in hand with the way they work.

It’s been estimated that 80 to 90 percent of the impact of a building or
product is determined in the earliest stages of design and even when one percent of a project’s up-front costs are spent, it is estimated that up to 70 percent of its life-cycle costs have already been established. Design done right from the beginning is critical. In designing homes and buildings for our clients, I see design advances yielding more flexibility. It is not so much about square foot reduction since even a large home can be made sustainable with the right design choices, as well as incorporating the right insulation, windows, renewables, mechanical systems and using non-toxic and local materials.

Some other good practices:
Net-zero homes produce as much energy as they use through renewable technologies like solar photovoltaics
Use of no fossil fuels on site or even for the range
Incorporate Living Green Walls and green roofs whenever possible
Water Conservation as it relates to our home designs will be critical in the next five years with the growing population. Did you know - average use of water per person in NY is 150 gallons as compared to 40 gallons in some other countries like Australia? Only 1% of our water supply is from fresh water sources

Practices to achieve this include:
• Gray water recycling for reuse of rainwater
• Dual flush toilets - water conserving fixtures
• Reclaimed rainwater use for water for flushing toilets and use for washing laundry
• Reclaimed water from sewage for landscaping and irrigation

Food Production will be critical in the coming years.

Practices to help this:
• Gardens designed inside or outside homes for growing fresh herbs and vegetables
• Vertical farming. This is becoming popular. Whole Foods is using more rooftop gardens on its properties.

KBT: What advances would you like to see in the near future?
IS: The creation of more “leisure” living. We are moving from an age of information to transformation and defining living more in relation to “leisure” or convenience. Along with technology, what we do on a daily basis gets streamlined and that is how we as humans can become more productive so we are able to do more of what we love and what requires our individual talent.

Architectural design emphasizes how a personal or public space affects us and how we can be most productive. This defines the future as well as holds a larger importance for architecture so that the architect again has a bigger role and most people will see the necessity of hiring the right architect. With the ancient traditions of feng shui and natural law, balance with nature and our environment is essential for mind, body and soul. Nature shows no struggle, why should we? Nature only has wholes and no halves, so if we are living as whole human beings we need to have balance in mind, body, spirit, and in the environment we live in. Only then are we truly living a sustainable lifestyle that we are meant to live.

Design and construction of a higher quality show in the occupant’s experience of architecture that is more comfortable, less wasteful and integrated into one’s lifestyle.

KBT: Any additional comments for our readers about the importance of a sustainable architecture?
IS: Sustainable architecture is not a choice but a valuable decision that needs to become the norm. It is the quality that each and every person deserves to live and work in. It is a choice in value. If each and every human being thought in this fashion and the codes and government policy worked hand in hand to make this so, climate change would simply reverse itself.

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To make a lasting contribution to the world that improves the quality of living for each and every human being.

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She is also the president and one of the founders of The Designers and Builders Alliance of Long Island. The Alliance is the only association of its kind that brings together industry professionals and end-users to promote greater collaboration and more meaningful, top quality design. Proceeds from annual signature house tours, the Alliance Talks series (NOTE: The next Alliance Talk on Sustainability is on March 22) and other events are used to contribute to various charitable causes and organizations. For more information and a full schedule, visit www.dbaofli.org

“A sustainable home is one that is beautiful, comfortable, functional as well as energy efficient. It improves and enhances your lifestyle, while adding a significant value to what is often your largest asset.”
- Irena Škoda, ŠKODA Design + Architecture
Whitehaus Collection is proud to introduce their newest generation of laundry sinks; Pearlhaus Collection. The pristine fabrication is what sets Pearlhaus apart from other industry utility sinks. Nearly seamless, each sink is molded for a cleaner look and stronger hold. Let’s explore the new features that the WH33209-LEG-NP sink has to offer.

**INTEGRATED DRAIN BOARD**

This integrated drain board takes us back to the days of washboards. Use this ledge to hold the sponge, utensils or a bar of soap.

**STORAGE RACK**

This removable storage rack serves more than one purpose. This rack is great for storing products in addition to providing extra support for the legs.

**8” SPREAD HOLES**

These 8 inch spread holes leave you with many faucet options. With the two holes you can either choose from a deck mount faucet, single hole faucet with a spray head or a single hole faucet with a soap dispenser. The possibilities are endless.

**ADJUSTABLE LEGS**

The WH33209-LEG-NP comes equipped with adjustable legs. Simply twist the adjusters to raise or lower the height of the sink.

**PEARLHAUS**

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When designing your master bathroom from scratch, don’t lose sight of space. Consider how many people will use the bathroom on a daily basis. If your designing a bathroom for two, it’s a great idea to create a symmetrical space with two sinks and vanity space. This will keep you out of each others way and create ideal circulation in your master en suite.

Double sinks in a sizable master bathroom are a common consideration among homeowners. This duo will not only give you your own personal space, but there are many styles to choose from. Whether you go with free standing, a double vanity or one large bowl with 2 faucets, you can’t go wrong with his and hers sinks.

Water closets became popular years ago and are still on trend today. A small separate room for the toilet, inside your master bathroom, will allow you to still have some privacy in a space you’ll most likely be sharing with someone else.

If you’re feeling claustrophobic at the thought of such a tiny room, you can always opt for a half or full wall without a door for some separation.
**PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT**

**WHAT**
Whitehaus Collection hand dryers; WH555 & WH666

**WHERE**
These hand dryers are ideal in any commercial setting.

**WHY**
Drying your hands with a hand dryer rather than paper products is an eco-friendly alternative for the environment. The hands-free technology of these dryers bring more convenience and efficiency to places like public restrooms, schools and more.

[Images of WH555 and WH666 hand dryers]

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JL Interior Design is a full-service, interior design company based in San Francisco, CA. Jolene has a lifelong passion for art and design and took college level architecture classes in high school. However, her practical parents strongly urged her to get a college degree in something that had a wider application: business, as a result, she got a degree in Business Finance from the University of Portland, OR. After working on the foreign currency-trading floor for eight years, as a V.P. Corporate Foreign Exchange Specialist, for Wells Fargo Bank; she followed her life-long passion and returned to school to get a degree in Interior Design from the Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising in San Francisco, CA. Life happened quickly between 2008 – 2013, Jolene got married, graduated school, had a baby, worked at two high-end interior design companies based in San Francisco, CA and started her own company. Today her team is comprised of herself, Lindsey Krystofiak and Courtney Wells – specializing in residential interiors (remodels, new construction and décor) for families.
Countertops are often the starting point when choosing the design for your bathroom or kitchen remodel.

With so many materials, colors and price ranges to choose from, it helps to do some research and weigh out the pros and cons. First and foremost, think about the functionality your counters will have in that space. Will this counter be in a high traffic area like a kitchen island, or somewhere that doesn't get as much use? You want to make sure your choosing a piece that you know you'll get the most value for your money.

Let's take a look at some of the most popular countertop materials.

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**Granite**
You simply can't go wrong with a granite countertop. Granite comes in a vast amount of colors and grades, making it easy to find the perfect slab for your kitchen.

Granite is know for its extreme durability and resistance to both hot and cold temperatures.

Price Range: $50 sq. ft.

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**Marble**
Marble is a luxurious stone that can add sophistication to any space. The spider-like veining throughout the stone is what sets marble apart from other countertops.

Available in white, cream, black, green and pink shades, this stone will add an elegant touch to your home for sure.

Price Range: $70-$100 sq. ft.

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**Stainless Steel**
Stainless steel counter tops are making their way from the commercial kitchen into residential homes.

This material is great for the homeowner who loves to cook. Stainless steel has natural antibacterial properties making it a great material in the kitchen. Add a contemporary touch to your home by installing stainless steel countertops.

Price Range: $80-$90 sq. ft.
Soapstone

Soapstone counters are a lifelong investment. The durability of soapstone is like no other stone which is why you’ll often see it used in tiles or wood burning stoves.

Soapstone colors range from pale green to light grey. You can deepen the color by applying mineral oil to customize your own shade.

Price Range: $80-$100 sq. ft.

Quartz

Engineered Quarts beats out all other countertop options with color choice.

Quartz is one of the few man made materials that actually reflects natural stone. With endless choices of color, you are guaranteed to find a slab to match your kitchen or bathroom scheme.

Price Range: $95-$150 sq. ft.

Copper

Copper countertops are a unique and daring choice. Copper is know as a "living material" and will react to acids and oxidize over time. As copper patinas, you will start to see hints of red, green and brown tones.

Although this metal is soft in durability, copper’s natural antimicrobial properties are said to be the best.

Price Range: $100-$175 sq. ft.
MEET LAURIE

Santa Monica based award winning designer, Laurie Haefele delivers nothing short of perfection

Meet Santa Monica designer, Laurie Haefele. With a B.A. in Architecture from the Pratt Institute and a Master’s Degree in Architectural History and Theory from UCLA, this well-educated designer has an impressive repertoire of clients. Known as the ultimate kitchen, wardrobe, and bath specialist, Haefele’s work has been featured in more than 35 magazine publications and several HGTV shows. After working in New York on projects like the Guggenheim expansion and well-known residences throughout the city, Laurie moved to Southern California in 2002, where she opened Haefele Design in Santa Monica. Gaining most of her client base purely from referral, it comes as no surprise to her devoted supporters that Haefele holds numerous design awards. In 2007, Robb Report Luxury Home Magazine recognized Haefele as one of the world’s top designers. She is also an associate member of AIA, ASID, and NKBA, a recipient of Caesarstone’s “Dream Design Award,” and the SubZero/Wolf regional “Best of the Best” winner. Despite her growing prominence within the design industry Haefele never loses sight of what is truly important, noting, “I believe in delivering what my clients want, and working until they are happy with the results.”

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GET THE LOOK
At points throughout the year, all creative industries end up overlapping common trends. From fashion and food to interiors and textiles, this year it’s all about making a bold statement.

We’ve seen a great deal of white on white kitchens in the past and it seems that designers are ready for a drastic change. Dark and dramatic palettes are gaining more popularity throughout many different style homes.

Set the tone with a deep colored cabinet as your base. Add unexpected accent pieces with unique furniture such as these royal blue industrial bar stools to add some interest.

Contrast is key with a dark palette. Balance out the deep blues with white walls and light finish fixtures such as these white shade pendant lights and brushed nickel faucet to complete the look.

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Navy Industrial Bar Stool
wayfair.com

White tin shade pendant light
lightingnewyork.com

Brushed Nickel single hole faucet
whitehauscollection.com
Bring warmth and regality into your space by incorporating bright gold, antique brass and lavish silver finishes in your home.

Wall decor in particular is a great way to add some glamour, much like this quatrefoil mirror you see here. While this mirror makes a bold statement, it opens up the space bringing functionality and style to this powder room.

Contrast the gold with a brushed nickel faucet and pop of color for balance and a mixed metals look.

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Wall mount Sink
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Gold Quatrefoil Mirror
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Eco-friendly toilet
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Stainless steel coutertops are a quintessential material for the minimalistic, modern kitchen.

This metal material is one we are used to seeing in commercial kitchens as coutertops and faucets, where it’s chosen for it’s unique durability and sanitary properties.

Residential kitchens are reflecting the look of a chef style kitchen more and more because of the industrial trend that is rising throughout the industry.

If you’re not entirely ready to commit to this contemporary look, start by adding a small amount. Choose stainless steel for your prep area and a natural stone for the kitchen island coutertop, creating the perfect amount of contrast.

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Solid stainless steel faucet
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Stainless Steel Coutertop
Introducing greenery in your kitchen will make your room feel fresh and lively. Whether you’re using house plants or an abundance of herbs, greenery provides a taste of freshness while purifying the air.

A small herb garden in the kitchen can be an essential for the homeowner who loves to cook. Imagine the convenience of growing all of your favorite herbs right in your own home?

An all white color scheme is a great palette for a kitchen with lots of greenery. Sleek white cabinets and countertops will make the green pop, bringing all the attention to your plants. Opt for high gloss fixtures such as this vintage style polished chrome faucet for a sleek touch.
PERFECT FLOW

Customized master bathroom for two

The His and Hers master bathroom is no longer an indulgence reserved for the rich and famous. With two-career households becoming increasingly the norm, the His and Hers bathroom has become one of the most important design layouts for the modern home. Couples who share the same work schedule, have a need for space that is more functional than a luxury. Using proper organization, lighting, and layout, the co-joined space allows a perfect flow and adds ease to your morning and evening routines.

Designing the His and Hers master bathroom requires research into the individuals sharing their space as well as their hopes for how they will want this new or renovated space to function. The initial design phase should identify all the separate activities being performed in the space. Thus determining whether the bathroom will have shared use or if privacy needs are to be taken into consideration.

Create a "wish list". Use the square footage, timing, and budget to turn the "wish list" in to the "must have" list. From here the interior designer is now prepared to work within the budget to develop a layout brimming with organization and style!

When designing your His and Hers master bathroom, keep in mind a 33-inch tall vanity is ideal for women, while a 36-inch tall vanity suits most men. Adding a dressing table between the vanities may be the height solution you're looking for to integrate the difference, should both vanities be placed on the same wall. With the short dressing table in between vanities, couples will have the perfect size drawer for storing smaller products that tend to get lost in deeper drawers. Being organized is key to this space. The expertise of an interior designer can transform your space into one that is functional and stress-reducing as well as one that is reflective of the client's design preferences.

Getting your shared bathroom organized will go a long way to maximizing efficiency and can greatly reduce your stress. Allow each other to have personal space. Although one person may have more things then the other, resist the urge to just leave products and non essentials out in the open. Have designated places for makeup, hair products, grooming tools, and cleaning supplies. Be sure to include this in the thought of how cabinetry is placed and how much storage you will need to really create the best flow. I truly believe an easy solution to aggravation is organization, it eliminates time and the hassle of couples having to stumble around each other.

One of the most important parts of the His and Hers master bathroom layout is the individual vanity spaces, this can be laid out in a variety of ways. Keeping vanities on separate walls creates an appealing contrast. Back to back allows complete separation, or most commonly used side by side, allows individuals to enjoy separate grooming spaces, while sharing central storage.

Once you have defined each vanity space, it's time to ensure adequate
Storage is in place. Bathroom cabinets with shelves and drawer storage keep personal grooming items and cleaning products within easy reach, but hidden from view for a clutter-free space. Keep in mind you will want to create specialized storage areas for small items such as cosmetics, and larger items like hair dryers. Giving these items a designated area will make them easy to use and easy to put away.

Proper lighting is especially important; it can be used to create an atmosphere that is relaxing and spa-like, along with a way to add a unique element to the room. Think of lighting as room jewelry that adds personality and sparkle. There are many different options from wall sconces, chandeliers, and pendants are all available in different sizes and styles to suit your taste. Lighting can really make an impact on the design of the room. A great way to set the atmosphere is by having the lighting on a dimmer. This allows the individual to create the mood by the amount of lighting in the space. Lighting in both vanity areas also should be considered. Sidelights eliminate any shadowing from overhead lights. Consider installing a lighted mirror in each of the vanity areas, this would be perfect for applying makeup and grooming.

Today, master bathrooms serve many purposes beyond those of previous generations. Shower and tub upgrades that are frequently requested by couples include; relaxing spa-like massaging whirlpool tubs, steam showers with seating, two showerheads, and multiple body jets. These amenities, along with high-end materials and soothing decor, really adds an atmosphere of tranquility and whole body relaxation to your bathroom.

Functioning in a His and Hers master bathroom is greatly enhanced by a carefully located toilet. Whenever possible, add a privacy wall around the toilet area, which allows for simultaneous use of the bathroom. The goal is for the couple to feel like a pampered guest while in their own home. Nothing makes you feel more like you’re the king and queen of your own castle than a custom designed master bathroom for two!

STEPHANIE MAZZULLA

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To see more of Stephanie’s work, view her spotlight on page 17.
Kim Bailey Interiors (KBI) is an innovative mother-daughter design team who has been serving the Dallas Metroplex for over 12 years. KBI has been chosen by TopTenDallas as one of the 10 best Interior Designers in Dallas. Both Kim and Lauren are active members of the Interior Design Society. Kim serves on the IDS DFW Board as Treasurer and is also a member of the National Kitchen and Bath Association.

Through collaborative design concepts and superior craftsmanship, KBI has brought complementary and seamless results to their client’s spaces. They focus on characteristics that reflect and describe their clients. They love to mix styles like modern and classic or industrial and glam-chic to give their clients designs that mirror their lifestyle and interests. Their success lies in getting to know their customers…the form and function of their overall lifestyle…to create a beautiful space for them to enjoy.
Whitehaus Collection would like to introduce our newest luxurious faucet, *Swanhaus*. With clean lines and a pull-down spray head, this solid stainless steel faucet is a showstopper. The flexible pull-down spray head locks into place with a quarter turn and features two spray modes, stream and spray. The Swanhaus Collection offers sleek and innovative designs that are guaranteed to never go out of style. With WaterSense, cUPC and Lead free compliant certifications, this sturdy faucet is manufactured to perfection and built to last.
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Welcoming 2016 into our lives is such an exciting opportunity not only to say hello to a new year, but also to have a chance to renew and revitalize those parts of our lives that may have been shaky and unfinished for the larger part of last year. This can ring true for a handful of different areas, but for a lot of us, our home surely falls somewhere at the top of that list. While home to-do lists almost always have a bountiful amount of projects to keep us busy, it is especially easy to put off redesigning those rooms and spaces that guests will probably not see. For me personally, that was my main ‘excuse’ for not giving my master bath the time and attention that it so desperately needed last year. But now that 2016 is in full swing, it is clear that there is no better time than now to rejuvenate this space, a space that should be pleasant and peaceful for each of us.
"I am now able to start each new day of 2016 with a little extra motivation to get up, get going, and get something done."

When looking to revamp a space big or small, the first question that you must ask yourself is:

1. Is this a job that requires a full-blown remodel?
   or
2. Can I pick and choose small areas to re-do and still achieve my goal?

For my bathroom, I was luckily able to justify option number two. This was great news as this meant a little less work for me as well a little bit of a lower cost too, which is always a plus! After taking a critical eye to my space, I was able to pin point three main concern areas:

1. Vanity appearance and design
2. Increased functionality
3. Storage space that makes sense

1. VANITY APPEARANCE AND DESIGN

A vanity space is an area that you use to get ready for your day, or where you unwind from a long one in the evening. It is a very intimate space that needs to be both comfortable and peaceful. My first recommendation would be to start with color. Yes, just color. For example, my original space had a yellow patterned countertop with dark brown cabinets. The yellows and browns did not make me feel excited or at ease when using my own bathroom. I certainly did not enjoy taking my time to get ready in the mornings either. Color can have so much impact on your mood, and you want to be able to start your day off on the right foot. For this reason, I selected an all-white theme going in to my remodel. This color motif produced a serene and calm atmosphere for me. What colors wake you up and energize you? What colors make you feel more agitated and uneasy? You want to be sure to select color options that are going to invigorate you so you can be your best self.

Once you have your vanity colors selected, another suggestion would be to evaluate your physical counter space. Is there enough room to make some additions without taking up too much space? For me, my bathroom started out with one small sink straight in the middle of an otherwise large counter space. It looked both awkward and almost a little silly. I knew adding in another sink would not only be aesthetically pleasing, but it would also up the resell value of the home. I had always loved the idea of above-the-counter sinks as well, so I narrowed my search to just this type of design. Keeping a balance between what you like design-wise and the actual dimensions you are working with is key.

2. INCREASED FUNCTIONALITY

My decision to add a sink on each end of the countertop space not only improved the overall look of the vanity, but it also helped to free up a really
nice open area in the middle. This space was not maximized in the original design, so the logical functions of the vanity were low to none beforehand. Now, I am actually able to use this space as an area to display some smaller objects like candles, perfume bottles, and ring trays. It is also wonderful to have this open area when drying my hair and applying my makeup, two things that I do every day of the week. Do you have a space that you feel comfortable performing your every day tasks in, or do you feel cramped and crammed on a regular basis?

In addition to the new vanity space, I also knew I needed to add a bigger mirror and better lighting. Previously, I would find myself leaning closely in to my small square mirror while squinting from very poor lighting. This is not the way to go! The key here is to make your bathroom as functional as possible. When you do so, you set yourself up for a much more comfortable and easy daily routine. Options like a large wall mirror and a robust lighting fixture with a dimmer setting can make a world of difference, and can even transform your personal maintenance into a fun activity instead of an inevitable chore.

3. STORAGE SPACE THAT MAKES SENSE

The last piece of my remodel puzzle was to ensure that I created storage space that made sense for me. I am a bit of a product hoarder, so I knew I needed to have more than enough room to stow my items away while keeping them both accessible and manageable. I decided to add one drawer underneath my open area for all of my cosmetics, lip glosses, etc. This way, I am able to sit down and pull my make up out to use just as quickly (and easily) as I can put it away. I also added large cabinet spaces underneath each sink for plenty of closed off storage space. I use this for larger items that I need, but don’t necessarily want to be displayed with the rest of my décor. Building in enough space, open or not, is always something you must keep in mind.

After squaring away the cabinets, I wanted to also look into display items that could double as storage pieces for on top of the countertop. Items such as glass canisters for q-tips, cotton pads, and other little necessities work great to keep you organized and your countertop beautiful. I would also recommend a make-up brush holder as this has become one of my personal favorites. Not only does it help to keep your brushes in order and clean, it also adds a nice ornamental touch. Even decorative soup dispensers and toothbrush holders can come together as a lovely design element that of course also serves as storage. As long as your selections are cohesive, it is guaranteed to be a beautiful space.

With these three points in mind, I was able to not only complete my master bathroom remodel, but also got the long awaited chance to check it off of my home to-do list for good! The space turned out better than I could have even hoped for, and the difference it has made in my daily life is astonishing. From the color and vibe of the room, to the heightened functionality and smart storage choices, it really has become one of my favorite spaces. I am now able to start each new day of 2016 with a little extra motivation to get up, get going, and get something done. I hope you too are able find this same bit of happiness I have found from your own bathroom remodel! Good luck and happy 2016!

ADRIENNE HOLLAND

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Remember the days when mounting your microwave under the kitchen cabinet was considered state of the art? Thankfully, the design industry has come a long way in bringing new technologies to appliances we can all benefit from in our homes.

Take a look at this selection of high tech kitchen gadgets that will have you updating in no time.

**Simplehuman Sensor Trash Can**
The Simplehuman is made from brushed stainless steel so it is easy to clean and maintain. The sensor located on top of the lid allows the lid to open. The sensor will allow the lid to remain open as long as it picks up movement. This trash can also includes a removable liner with a feature that keeps the trash bag in place, and a replaceable carbon filter under the lid to help eliminate odors.

**GE Café Series**
This model dishwasher contains 102 jets. This is possible due to the quad blade wash arm that reverses its spinning direction during the cycle. The dishwasher also contains bottle wash jets to help clean tall, narrow bottles. The upper rack is adjustable to be raised and lowered to allow more space for larger plates. The third rack is to help clean silverware as well as smaller items. The third rack is also easy to remove and can be adjusted to accommodate tall items below.

**Meile Induction Cook Top**
This electric, flat cook top is equipped with 5 burners as well as the latest touch controls. The range contains a cooking timer as well as a feature that allows the burners to automatically recognize the size of the pots and pans using it. The colors of this cook top are black with a stainless steel trim, allowing for a modernized look.

**Zephyr Incline Wall Range Hood**
The product comes with a wireless remote control that allows for ease of use from across the room. The range hood is equipped with LED lighting that has three levels of brightness, a dual filtration system, and a filter clean reminder. Due to the minimalistic, modern design, the model comes with an optional duct cover.

**LG Smart ThinQ with Range**
This range is compatible with the LG cooking management app that allows the user to operate the oven from anywhere. The warming drawer is included with this electric oven to help keep dinner warm. The easy to use touch panel allows for an understandable interface and less confusion while cooking.
**Oxo Food Scale**

The black, steel modern scale is small enough to be easily stored anywhere in the kitchen. The stainless steel removable platform allows for easy cleaning and the display is removable so weighing food on large plates won’t block the screen. The display also has a backlight for when measuring those late night snacks.

**Russell Hobbs**

This mirrored front microwave has a beautifully sleek appearance, perfect for the modern kitchen. Equipped with flatbed technology, this microwave allows you to heat up large dishes because there is no spinning plate involved. Whether you decide to mount this microwave or keep it on the counter, the small size allows you to store it anywhere in the kitchen.

**Legrand Adorne System**

The Adorne system by Legrand removes all electrical outlets from your kitchen backsplash and incorporates them into a track underneath the cabinets. This system offers lighting, music and docking station attachments, enabling you to clear the clutter from your counters for good [see photo below].
SOLID STAINLESS STEEL

The quintessential material for kitchen and bathroom plumbing fixtures
An increasing number of designers and homeowners are incorporating solid stainless steel into their kitchens. Solid stainless steel products have a look and feel that never goes out of style. Because of this quality, all of the solid stainless steel appliances and fixtures will still be aesthetically pleasing even if you remodel or sell your house.

The United States as well as states themselves created certain restrictions on the internal components incorporated in stainless steel products. This is due to the fact that some stainless steel faucets contain lead. The difference between solid stainless steel and stainless steel is that solid stainless steel contains absolutely no lead.

Besides the fact that solid stainless steel products contain no lead, there are other benefits to this material for your house. Specifically for the Waterhaus collection by Whitehaus Collection.

**FAMILY FRIENDLY**

With all the use a kitchen faucet gets in a family home, you want one that is durable and requires little to no maintenance. Solid stainless steel faucets are family friendly in that they are durable and easy to clean.

**DURABLE**

Solid stainless steels do not rust; therefore, the product will never age. Depending on the alloyed grade, the material can withstand the harshest acidic chemicals. The metal also does not chip, crack, or peel. The durability of the solid stainless steel helps keep the look the product has and allows for the product to never go out of style.

**EASY TO CLEAN**

The smooth, metallic finish of solid stainless steel does not have any nooks or crannies to allow for dirt and bacteria to build up. Also, solid stainless steel resists stains and fingerprints, making it easy to maintain. Because of this, solid stainless steel is arguably the most sanitary choice of material for your kitchen and bathroom plumbing fixtures.

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