

SOURCEBOOK

Recreate Ruth's spacious bathroom – without making structural changes. Sallie explains how...



INTERIOR DESIGN

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AMAZING SPACE

If you're planning to renovate, combining a separate loo and bathroom or moving it into an unused spare room is a great idea. However, if knocking down walls and changing the layout of your home isn't an option, there are other ways you can make your bathroom feel bigger.

Furniture Choosing a wall-mounted vanity basin will ensure there's plenty of visible floor space, which will immediately make the room feel larger. And the same is true if you opt for a freestanding bath on legs, rather than one that's fully panelled. You could up the wow factor with a metallic tub. Chrome, nickel and copper all look stunning and their shiny surfaces will reflect the floor tiles, helping to create an illusion of endless square-footage!

Tiles Using the same tiles on all of the walls will give a seamless effect that will help the room look larger. The fewer visual transitions between products there are, the simpler, cleaner and more expansive the room will feel. Another tile trick is to use a 'shower former' or wet room tray and cover it in the same tiles as the walls. This will not only create a high-end, luxurious scheme but will trick the eye into seeing a bigger area.

Mirrors and reflective surfaces A clever use of mirrors can make a huge difference in a smaller space. Don't limit yourself to having just a small one above the basin – think big! You could fill the entire wall behind the sink or bath with a bespoke mirror, which will open up the room and create a dramatic focal point. Finally, mirrored shelves are perfect for displaying pretty products. They will also bounce light around the room as well as make the most of the space you have!



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- 1 Hellebore spray, £4.50, Gisela Graham
- 2 Soap dispenser, £12.99, H&M Home
- 3 Lapuan Kankurit Terva towel, £16, The Conran Shop
- 4 Carnival Wall & Floor tiles, £24.99/sq m, Tons of Tiles
- 5 Toothbrush mug, £9.99, H&M Home
- 6 Abuo plant pot with stand, £55, Oliver Bonas

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