

Behind closed doors

Lisa Jepson, sales director for Willbond, shares her top tips on the best furniture and storage ideas for a pristine bathroom.

With the vast array of furniture that is now available, it's easier than ever to tailor the design of your bathroom to suit your own particular needs. Everything should have its rightful place in the perfect bathroom, so storage is essential.

Careful planning is the first step towards your dream bathroom, so spend time thinking about how you use your bathroom. Choosing fitted furniture will streamline the bathroom, helping to give the illusion of more space. Modular furniture gives you the opportunity to add separate units and guarantees a modern, contemporary look. Either style will ensure your bathroom stays tidy and clutter-free.

Almost every bathroom suite sold in the UK is white but you can use furniture to introduce colour into the room; from subtle creams and greys, fresh blues and greens to bold reds and blacks. Using granite or glass for the countertops and sleek handles for the doors will give your bathroom a stunning and captivating look.

A generous run of units around a fashionable wash basin ensures there's plenty of hidden storage so all cleaning products, loo rolls, shampoos, toys and razors can be carefully and cleverly concealed.

Plumbing paraphernalia isn't a pretty sight so hiding it inside the furniture means all is invisible from the outside but still accessible for maintenance. Many fitted ranges also offer built-in laundry baskets, so there's no excuse for dirty socks on the bathroom floor!

Don't forget about space above shoulder height. Very often this isn't used to its full advantage, so make the most of it with wall units and open shelving. Adding a simple mirrored wall cabinet not only gives the illusion of space but also provides added functionality – some units have internal cosmetic mirrors, shaver points, magnets for tweezers and scissors, make-up compartments as well as demisters so that the mirror doesn't steam up.

So no matter what you're looking for, it is always advisable to call on the services of bathroom design specialists who will help you create your dream bathroom. A visit to Willbond, who only supply brands and products which offer the combination of design flair, quality and value for money, will ensure you get the perfect solution.

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- 1 *Royal Spiegelschraenke*
- 2 *Downton Classical English in Duck Egg*
- 3 *Luca bleached walnut cameo units*