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Guest Bathrooms

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CUPBOARD LOVE

Left Storage is an essential aspect to plan in any guest bathroom. Crossdale basin, £300 from Shaws of Darwen; Ingleton deck-mounted three-hole basin mixer with Country spout and lever handles, £610, Perrin & Rowe

EASY CLEAN

Right Mira Showers Décor Dual electric showers, starting from £190, are available in white, warm silver or black onyx, and feature Mira's Clearscale technology which can help reduce limescale build-up by up to 50%



Q&A

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What are the main considerations for a guest bathroom?

Guest bathrooms are often treated as an afterthought, making them questionably hospitable. We should take our lead from hotel bathrooms to make friends and family who are overnighing or spending a little longer feel that their bathroom has been carefully planned to offer maximum function in a relaxing, good-looking and well-designed environment.

How can we make it as inviting and as welcoming as possible?

If you are reconfiguring space to create a guest bathroom, give it as much room as you can. It will allow you the luxury of choosing a spacious shower and perhaps even double basins or a feature bath. Make sure there are obvious shelves where guests can unpack their toiletries. Screen the windows properly for privacy and have good, adjustable lighting, especially around mirrors. Choose quality mirrors, particularly above basins. A bathroom radiator will heat the space as well as keeping towels toasty. Underfloor heating is a must-have for tiled floors.

What are the latest trends in products, colours or materials?

Taking the lead from boutique hotels, we are all upping the guest bathroom specification and it's no longer a 'second best' space. At Drummonds, we've created more compact versions of many of our most-loved pieces, from baths to vanity basins, and these are increasingly being used to create luxurious guest en-suites. This also raises the game on the quality of materials; bringing beautiful brassware, cast iron baths and characterful marble into play. Overall, it's a clear trend towards much more luxurious and better equipped guest bathrooms.

Are there any little touches that can be overlooked?

Accessories make all the difference. Elements such as hooks, electrical points for shavers or toothbrushes and beautiful fluffy towels will all add layers of comfort.



SURFACE VALUE

Transform a small bathroom into a wet room by fully cladding it in marble. Designed by Thomson Carpenter, this scheme includes a double Crake vanity basin with Arabescato marble, from £9,060; Mull Classic three-hole basin mixer, £1,170; Carron exposed thermostatic shower, £POA; shower rose, from £474, all available at Drummonds