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WHY THE ROOM WORKS



We love this oasis of a bathroom by interior designer Christi Barbour. We just had to get the scoop on how she pulled it off, so read ahead to find out why this relaxing room works.

Christi: Our clients were full-time working parents looking for a spa-like getaway complete with details you would see in any luxury hotel bathroom.

The well-traveled couple knew they wanted something fresh and clean with a modern influence in a traditional home. We reconfigured the entire space, changing the guest bathroom, linen closet, bedroom closet and laundry room into a much larger master bathroom and adjoining dressing room. We installed a custom designed marble shower complete with Grohe rain head and body sprays (a dream shower for him).

The focal point of the bathroom is the glass tile wall and floating tub. Although the footprint of the space was rather narrow, we were able to work in a freestanding air jet tub, something very important to her. In order to place the tub in its exact location we had to lose a window — something the homeowners did not want to do — so we replaced it with one at the end of the bathroom. This move turned out to be ideal as it allows the morning sunrise to fill the bathroom with natural light.

The custom designed his and her vanities are finished in Benjamin Moore's Ozark Shadows, a perfect compliment to the Calacatta marble. In a tight space like this bathroom, storage is at a premium so storage mirrors were incorporated providing a unique approach with a clean, modern aesthetic. Luxury components of the bathroom include built-in night lights that softly illuminate the mirrors at night, a recessed flat screen tv, cabinet mounted heat registers to keep floors warm in the winter and a heated backrest integrated into the tub.

The simplicity of the design and architecture create the clean and fresh aesthetic and the multi-sized wall flowers added a spa-like atmosphere, pulling together the ideal space for this couple.



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Vintage Glass Wall Tile, Walker Zanger. www.walkerzanger.com.



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