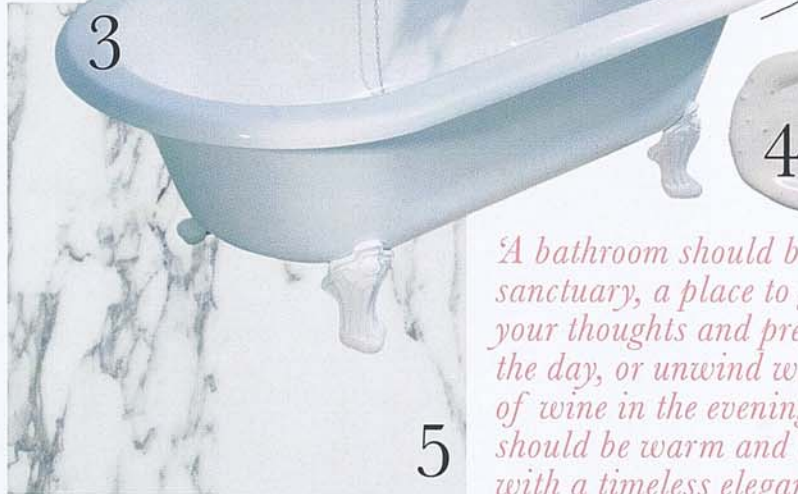
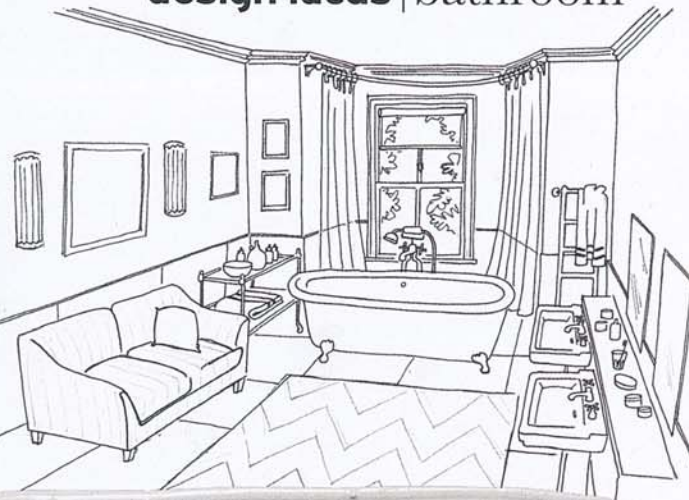




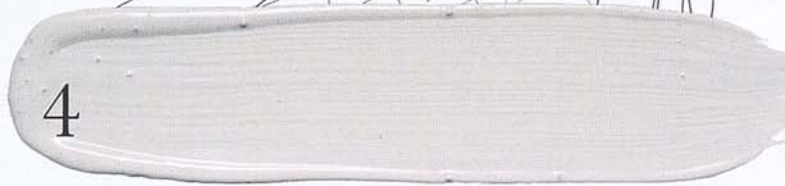
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'A bathroom should be a sanctuary, a place to gather your thoughts and prepare for the day, or unwind with a glass of wine in the evening. It should be warm and inviting, with a timeless elegance'



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WISH LIST *Bathrooms*

Continuing the series in which designers reveal to Jennifer Goulding their tips for a stylish and workable kitchen or bathroom, Caroline Riddell suggests a calm - but indulgent - bathroom

1 Curtains I would use linen embellished with rows of ladder stitch, 140cm wide, £79 a metre, at Volga Linen (0844-499 1609; www.volgalinen.co.uk), for the curtains. They would have a shallow French pleat and hang on a nickel pole. This would soften the windows and offer some privacy, but still allow light to flood the room.

2 Lighting Aside from the shaving/vanity mirror, which should have integrated lighting - West One Bathrooms (020-7584 7002; www.westonebathrooms.co.uk) is a good source - bathroom lighting should be as gentle as possible. I like these vintage wall lights in brass with crystal rods, 56 x 20 x 13cm, £2,750 a pair, at Valerie

Wade (020-7225 1414; www.valeriewade.com).

3 Bath A bath should be generously proportioned. This 'Chateau Super Size' double-ended bath, 61 x 195 x 95cm, £2,102.20, at Lefroy Brooks (01992-708316; www.lefroybrooks.com), is the ideal size, and has a pleasing, curved shape.

4 Walls My choice would be marble panelling up

to the dado; above it, 'Cornforth White' Modern Emulsion (suitable for bathrooms), £30.50 for 2.5 litres, at Farrow & Ball (01202-876141; www.farrow-ball.com) - a subtle grey, which perfectly complements the marble.

5 Flooring I would have large, rectangular tiles of heavily veined, honed Arabascato marble, from £155.25 a square metre, at Limestone Gallery (020-7735 8555; www.limestonegallery.co.uk), with underfloor heating. I love the classic, clean look of this marble.

6 Rug 'Zig Zag' (pink and white) silk dhurrie rug, £1,080 a square metre, at Vanderhurd (020-7313 5400; www.vanderhurdstudio.com). Regardless of underfloor heating, I still want the wonderful texture of this rug underfoot.

7 Furniture 'Bunny' sofa, 75.5 x 213.5 x 87cm, £4,900, at Soane (020-7730 6405; www.soane.co.uk), covered in 'Chaulnes' (groseille), mohair velvet, 130cm wide, £266.80 a metre, at Lelièvre (020-7352 4798; www.lelievre.co.uk). Space allowing, this sofa would bring an extra level of comfort and luxury to a bathroom □

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