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# A Clean Slate

REVAMP YOUR STALE BATHROOM WITH THIS ECLECTIC SELECTION OF LAVATORY WONDERS

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## CHILDREN

"Make sure it's fun. Mix textures and tile size, and stop the tile a foot or so down from the ceiling, so you can give the ceiling a color that can change at will as the kids get older."  
— Laura Bohn, principal designer of Laura Bohn Design

1. The first new tub of 2016 from **Victoria + Albert Baths**, the Pescadero freestanding bathtub was named after the seaside town in Northern California and crafted from Englishcast, a finely ground volcanic limestone. With a deep, double-ended bathing well, this tub is begging for a bubble bath. *Through Klaffs, Norwalk, klaffs.com, vandabaths.com.* 2. Building on the gentle curves and organic shapes found in nature, the Tesla bath collection from **Delta** includes an elegant, contemporary faucet that's easy to use with little hands. *Through Best Plumbing Tile and Stone, Stamford, bstplg.com, deltafaucet.com.* 3. ActiVate touchless toilets from **American Standard** are high performance and water saving, but what really sets them apart is their motion-activated, no-touch flush system. *Through Ferguson, Mount Kisco, NY, ferguson.com, americanstandard.com.* 4. The Kartell by **Laufen** bathroom collection utilizes Saphirkeramik for its design—a super-strong ceramic material that can be fashioned along minimal, architectural lines—and fun colorways for the tykes. *Through Bender, Norwalk, benderplumbing.com, laufen.com.* 5. The Open Collection from **Hastings** marries open shelving with the warmth of wood. Offered in 36 colors and 10 wood finishes, it's the vanity's horizontal styling that elevates this piece. *Through Klaffs, Norwalk,*

*klaffs.com, hastingstilebath.com.* 6. Easily adaptable to fit a variety of spaces and fashioned with a low-positioned seat for little ones, the Stacked collection from **Ronbow** combines contrasting materials, colors, shapes and orientations to create a unique asymmetrical appearance. *Through Bender, Norwalk, benderplumbing.com, ronbow.com.* 7. Keep water and shower handles a consistent temperature with **Grohe's** Grotherm 1000 New. Equipped with CoolTouch technology, the ergonomic thermostat prevents scalding or frigid showers, while reducing water consumption by up to 50 percent. *Through Bender, Norwalk, benderplumbing.com, grohe.com.* 8. The Neorest 750H Intelligent toilet is a continuation of **Toto's** people-first innovations, boasting features such as sensor operation auto open/close and auto flush. *Through Frank Webb's Bath Center, Stamford, frankwebb.com, totousa.com.* 9. **Lacava's** Aquasei sink, with its double-bowl washbasin, is ideal for a children's shared bathroom. Crafted from quality porcelain, the lavatory can be installed in wall-mount (shown), vanity top or self-rimming application. *Through Klaffs, Norwalk, klaffs.com, lacava.com.*

# SPA

"A spa-like bath ultimately creates a sense of well-being. This is achieved when materials are layered strategically and the relationship between all of the elements form a habitat that is rich in design and efficient in operation."  
—Barbara Sallick, co-founder and senior vice president of design, Waterworks



1. WaterSense certified and equipped with three distinct spa functions—SoftRain, IntenseRain and Massage—**Hansgrohe's** Cromo Select E 110 3jet handshower is environmentally conscious and supremely luxurious. *Through Torco Design Center, Stamford, torcodesigncenter.com, hansgrohe-usa.com.* 2. The Tay from **Drummonds** is made from solid cast iron, meaning it can be left raw and black, or treated with a hard primer (as shown). *Through Lapidica, D&D, lapidica.com (T), drummonds-usa.com.* 3. **Grohe's** F Digital Deluxe shower system transforms the bathroom into an in-home spa, with touch controls directing lighting, steam and music. *Through Bender, Norwalk, benderplumbing.com, grohe.com.* 4. **Rohl's** Perrin & Rowe Deco wall-mount tub filler with handshower was designed, handcrafted and hand-polished in Great Britain, and elevates any bath to luxury spa status. *Through Klaffs, Norwalk, klaffs.com, rohlhome.com.* 5. The Joost van der Vecht–designed Scape collection from **Hi-Mac**, consists of a series of three monoliths (two shown) that provide a new way to look at sinks. *Through Home Depot, Norwalk, homedepot.com, lghimacsusa.com.* 6. Working off the European spa methodology, which follows the idea of contrasting the warmth of steam with a cold shower, **Vola's** waterfall showerhead is for those ready to make the jump to cold. *Through Klaffs, Norwalk, klaffs.com, vola.com.* 7. Available in the U.S. this fall, Folio is a new wash station from **Alape**. Designed by Gerhard Busalt, Folio combines basin, shelf and furniture and offers optimized storage space. *Through*

*Modern Plumbing Supply, New Milford, modernplumbing.biz, alape.com.* 8. The Acquadolce Dream is one of three multifunctional showerhead models from **Fantini's** Acquadolce collection. The innovative showerhead comes with a touch-screen control pad, a four-color chromotherapy light (blue shown) and the option of rain, waterfall or mist functions. *Through Klaffs, Norwalk, klaffs.com, fantinusa.com.* 9. Lissé, the new minimalist bath line from **Dornbracht**, is for the purist: progressive, ergonomic and, as the collection's name hints, smooth. *Through Ferguson, Mount Kisco, NY, ferguson.com, dornbracht.com.* 10. Bring the ultimate home spa experience to life with **Thermasol's** Tranquility, a 7-inch LCD in-shower touchscreen controller, directing lights, sound and visualization scenes. *Through Plimpton & Hills, Stamford, plimptonhills.com, thermasol.com.* 11. Knobs are a thing of the past with **Axor's** ShowerSelect, combining **Hansgrohe's** patented Select technology with designer aesthetic; this two-button control center keeps things easy. *Through A.F. New York, NYC, afnewyork.com, hansgrohe-usa.com.* 12. The new Rook bath collection from **Brizo** brings together ceramic cartridges, metal pop-ups and handles with neodymium earth magnets to provide a secure and flush fit. *Through Best Plumbing Tile & Stone, Stamford, bestplg.com, brizo.com.* 13. Designed by Piero Lissoni, the Garden washbin from **Boffi** offers supreme sculptural appeal, crafted from folded metal and integrated into the stone top of a bathroom vanity. *NYC, boffi.com.*

# ARTISANAL

"Allow the artist's hand to be celebrated. Make sure the artisan-created piece is the focal point: All other materials, textures and colors in the room should support and enhance it."  
— Laura Kirar, founder and creative director of Laura Kirar Design



1. The Fiore sink's layered, handcrafted copper petals bring the beauty of a blooming garden into the bath. *Thompson Traders, through Frank Webb's Bath Center, Stamford, frankwebb.com, thompsontraders.com.* 2. Born of a collaboration between Incorporated Architecture & Design and Watermark Designs, the Brooklyn faucet draws its inspiration from midcentury gate valves and garden hoses. *Through Klaffs, Norwalk, klaffs.com, watermark-designs.com.* 3. To memorialize its 60th year anniversary, THG has released a special rendition of its Pétale de Cristal collection, with the hand-engraved Numero 60 fittings flaunting the delicate curves and splendor of Baccarat. *Through Bender, Norwalk, benderplumbing.com, thgusa.com.* 4. With a washbasin available in three shapes—round (shown), square and tri-oval—the Cape Cod vanity from Duravit in collaboration with Philippe Starck features a slim rim and live wood edge. *Through Klaffs, Norwalk, klaffs.com, duravit.us.* 5. Named after the celebrated museum in Florence, the Uffizi faucet from Fortis breaks the mold with its transparent glass construction. *Through Ferguson, Mount Kisco, NY, ferguson.com, fortisfaucet.com.* 6. Part of the Dune Luminous collection, the Dune dimensional tub from CB Design utilizes a brand new, translu-

cent material, allowing it to illuminate from within. *Through A.F. New York, NYC, afnewyork.com, cbdesignny.com.* 7. Taking its name from the Japanese word for wave, Nami is Kreoo's new oval-shaped, Bianco Cararra marble washbin, resembling drapes in cloth. *Through Voce Di, Greenwich, vocedi.com, kreoo.com.* 8. Developed in collaboration with the Polytechnical School of Design of Milan, the Collapse Collection from Rapsel boasts a restrained but not minimalistic design. *Through A.F. New York, NYC, afnewyork.com, rapsel.com.* 9. Carved from a single block of granite (shown), marble or onyx, the Papillon bathtub from Stone Forest is a made to order statement tub. *Through Klaffs, Norwalk, klaffs.com, stoneforest.com.* 10. Kohler's Sartorial Collection sinks pay homage to the refined designs of 19th-century European textiles. The herringbone pattern (shown) is modern and geometrical, while Paisley is chic and classic. *Through Bender, Norwalk, benderplumbing.com, kohler.com.* 11. Timeless and versatile, the Isla Petra knob from Waterworks' collaboration with jeweler Jill Platner explores organic sculptural forms, while keeping advanced engineering in the forefront. *Available in burnished brass or burnished nickel (both shown). Greenwich, waterworks.com.*