Separate yet Together



Great layout and design means the owners of this stunning bathroom have plenty of room to move.

Looking at this well-designed and cleverly laid-out space you'd never guess that the old bathroom was cramped and difficult to use. But, when Henri van Roden was asked to remodel the space, that's exactly what he could see was the heart of the problem.

The previous bathroom featured a large, hob-mounted spa bath that was almost never used and created problems in accessing the lovely picture window so it was the first item to go. This allowed for the inclusion of a larger shower as well as separate his-and-hers vanity units. As a consequence, the owners now find that it's much easier to share the space, particularly during the busy morning rush to get ready.



In terms of visual appeal, the owners were keen that the new space would be striking so they asked Henri to include some feature items to give the bathroom a pizzazz. The darker fronts of the vanities and the storage unit are off-set beautifully by the natural tones of the wall and floor tiles while the lighter vanity tops are the cohesive element that brings the design together.

Feature mosaic tiles in the storage niches add a splash of colour exactly where is needed, without overwhelming the space. This also allows the owners to decorate their bathroom with accessories that reflect their individual style.

One of the main design challenges was to arrange for dual access with a door from the main bedroom as well as entry from the hallway. This was achieved with careful consideration of the placement of items and the decision was made to keep the toilet room as a separate space but within the same area.



Now that the owners can access the large window, it's much easier to encourage the flow of natural light and air through this bathroom. The decision to wall-hang the bulkier items such as vanity and storage unit, gives a feeling of lightness to the space as well as ensuring that the floors are easy to clean and maintain. A semi-circular basin shape has great aesthetic appeal as well as being a space-saving option.

All doors and drawers in the vanity and storage units are fitted with soft-touch open and close systems making it so simple for the owners to access items when needed.

When it comes to customer service, Henri is proud of the reputation he has worked hard to develop and this project is the perfect example of going above and beyond. On completion, the owner discovered that the planned and installed storage unit was not going to be large enough to suit her needs so this was replaced with a larger item at no additional charge.

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Basins: Fowler Seido half in-set vessles **Basin taps:** Millennium Cioso chrome

Shower: 10mm frameless glass from Euroglass

Shower taps: Methven Futura multi-function rail shower

Toilet: Roca Dama Senso with soft-close seat

Vanity: Custom-built wall-hung in black high-gloss two-pak

Vanity top: Smartstone in Singita **Handles:** Soft push open and close

Towel rails: Avenir Tago double towel rail and hand towel rails **Accessories:** Avenir Tago toilet roll holder and robe hooks **Wall tiles:** 600 x 300 polished porcelain, tiled to ceiling

Floor tiles: RAK 300 x 300 polished porcelain

Feature tiles: Decoramics multi-coloured glass mosaics

Heating: IXL Sensations fan/light/heater

Mirror: 900 x 600 frameless

Lighting: Low voltage halogen downlights