

# DESIGNERS' SECRETS

## PROFESSIONAL TIPS FOR A POLISHED FINISH

In a space like this a shower enclosure would simply look, well... just wrong. For switched-on style choose a shower panel with minimal, or better still no visible frame or support. And one last piece of advice, ensure it is generous in size so it really will prevent any splashes.

Running the same finish up the wall as on the floor is the latest trend. Wall tiles are usually thinner and lighter than floor tiles, which are designed to be stronger and take more weight. Ensure you get tiles from the same production batch, so the colour match is good.

LED lighting is energy saving and many of the units last for around 50,000 hours, so there is no need to change a bulb. This is especially useful for lighting in hard to reach areas.

If your bathroom is on the ground floor why not opt for 'smart' glass that goes opaque at the flick of a switch?

Rather than a white or natural limestone colour why not opt for a statement bath in a more dramatic colour such as dark grey, which is akin to a natural stone called Basalt? Engineered stone comes in many colour options, so you can select any colour according to your whim.

Wood-effect tiles have been around for a while, but some aren't very convincing and just don't look very much like wood at all. However, the new plank format tiles are laid just like planks and printed using digital technology. They're so convincing it's hard to tell they aren't the real thing, yet are far more practical in a damp area like a bathroom.

### Details

The wall in this bathroom is clad in various tiles from Neutra's Augmented Texture Collection. Here Texture Striped tiles in the Black Rock stone finish are mixed in with the Textured Striped LED tiles - these are either 2cm or 3cm thick and can create unusual illuminated 3D effects making the most of the textured surface. There are two sizes of tile pictured: 50x50cm and 100x25cm. From £200 per metre square. +39 036 224 6708 [www.neutradesign.it](http://www.neutradesign.it)