

A Treat For The Senses

A new second story adds an imaginative master suite



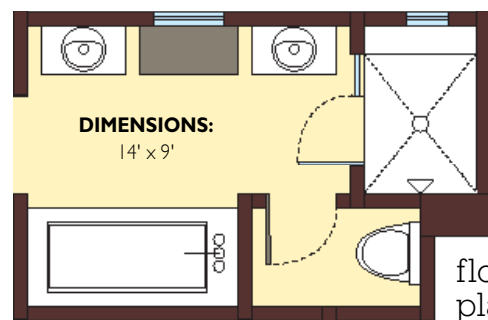
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WISH LIST

- ✓ Bright, spacious master bath with natural light
- ✓ Gain a steam shower with window and bench

ADDING A SECOND FLOOR, WHICH DOUBLED THE ORIGINAL HOME'S SQUARE footage, gave a family an entire level for bedrooms and bathrooms. "They went from two bedrooms and a den to three bedrooms and three bathrooms," says designer Lori Gilder, who took charge. The clients achieved the look of calm and serenity they wanted thanks to Gilder's mixing of traditional and contemporary elements, and a soft palette of greens, grays and whites—plus a few darker accents in terra-cotta floor tiles and one antique-looking furniture piece. "They loved the idea of using some classic materials, some modern elements and what looked like an antique

to provide a twist on the usual spa look," says Gilder. Because the addition had to conform to the existing footprint below, Gilder made every inch count. She chose a rectangular bathtub large enough for two but without the ornate detailing that might distract from the room's sparseness. A deck of Carrera marble gives the tub its elegance. For continuity, Gilder used the same marble on the tops of two pedestal sinks; their fluted stainless steel legs add a modern note. The calming ambience comes from the subway-style celadon green tiles used below a chair rail, the iridescent off-white mosaics used above, the antique chest in front of the window and the walls, painted "Swiss Coffee" white. The requested big steam shower was lined in the same tile mix, and the husband gained a toilet room with a TV and phone. Gilder's attention to detail shows in the wood cornices she designed for above the medicine cabinets and window, the fluted "column" alongside the shower door, crown molding and the marble shower threshold. A simple bamboo shade at the window keeps the mountains within view.



floor plan

The Basics

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» **SPECIAL FEATURES:** Multiple rainheads, body sprays and steam feature; Water closet with TV and phone; Whirlpool tub

PRODUCTS USED:

- Tub surround and sink tops: Carrera marble
- Floor tiles: 6" x 6" antique dark terra-cotta tile, Ann Sacks
- Lower wall tiles: Barbara Barry Collection, celadon crackle, 2" x 6", Ann Sacks
- Upper wall tiles: "Loom" by Bisazza, White Irid glass mosaic, Ann Sacks
- Vanity sinks, medicine cabinets, bathtub, fittings and faucets, steam shower: Michael Smith, Town line, Kallista, through Ann Sacks
- Lighting: Wall sconces, "Paul Ferrante"
- Window treatment: Bamboo shade
- Toilet: Kohler, "Rialto"



AGE APPROPRIATE By adding in an antique-looking chest, the new bath gains an instant patina.

MARBLE TOUCHES Pedestal sinks with marble tops, above left, provide timeless elegance.