

Four Luxe Baths

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The perfect bath is a restorative retreat with a touch of glamour...here are four that pull out all the stops.

Lush Life

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This spacious, sophisticated sanctuary in the guest suite of a Biltmore Park home would delight even the worldliest jet-setter. "The inspiration for this bath was the elegance and luxury of a world-class hotel," explains architect Amy Conner-Murphy of ACM Design, who worked in cooperation with designers Molly Silverstein of Interiors by Steven G. and Harriet Weisz of H. Weisz Interiors.

Possessing all the amenities and appointments to indulge the weary traveler, the space is opulent without being ostentatious, allowing the quality of the materials and the fine craftsmanship to speak for themselves. The walls are clad in serene Amalfi silk by Phillip Jeffries, accented by walnut trim and louvered doors by Mesa Woodworking, creating a spa-like environment in which to soak in the abundant center tub.

Miter-edged slabs of warm, honey onyx on the tub surround, shower trim and vanity tops impart a welcoming glow. In the glass-encased shower, the same honey onyx has been chiseled into narrow split-face slats and stacked for a textured mosaic effect that contrasts beautifully with the Crema Marfil marble shower seat and flooring. In the main area, 30-by-30-inch Crema Marfil marble tiles are accented by a 3-by-3-inch honey onyx mosaic.

Contrasting with the abundance of smooth stone, the walnut vanities have been given a natural, matte finish and inset with rattan panels, adding a rustic, organic appeal to the sleek styling of the cabinetry. With their cut-crystal levers, the ultra-luxe THG Paris sink fixtures assert an art deco influence that is echoed in the sculptural Murano glass Metropolitan scones by Minka-Lavery that flank the mirror and low-slung, tufted vanity chairs.

Every element is designed to pamper the guest and delight the senses. With accommodations like this, why would anyone ever want to leave?

Architect: ACM Design Architecture and Interiors

Designers: Interiors by Steven G.; H. Weisz Interiors

Cabinetry: MikeDesign

Countertops: Stone Connection Granite Interiors

Tile: Tile Specialties

Fixtures/Hardware: Bella Hardware & Bath

Doors/Shutters: Mesa Woodworking