

# Hosting guests this Christmas? Here's how to get your bathroom gleaming

**20**<sup>th</sup> **December 2022 (Leeds, UK) -** For those planning to host guests over the Christmas period, there are some areas of the home that you'll want to look spotless – the bathroom being one of them.

When it comes to powder rooms, there's nothing we love quite as much as a stylish and luxurious boutique bathroom that sparkles and shines as soon as you switch on the light.

To help you create the ultimate spa-like experience for your guests this Christmas, James Roberts, Director at <u>Sanctuary Bathrooms</u>, has revealed his top tips on the quick and easy jobs that will get your bathroom gleaming and give it that hotel-feel – your guests won't want to leave!

## Let your tiles be the star of the show

When cleaned up properly, your tiles can really sparkle and create the perfect backdrop for your bathroom. Start by wiping your tiles with your preferred bathroom detergent or use white vinegar diluted with water and a little dish soap if you're short on time or prefer to create your own cleaning solutions.



Ca' Pietra Santorini Gloss Ceramic Tiles – Sanctuary Bathrooms

You'll then need to get to work on cleaning up any mould in the bathroom. Caused by a build-up of moisture on the surface, mould is a common problem in the bathroom due to it often being a damp and humid environment and grout is particularly susceptible. Mixing white vinegar, baking soda and hydrogen peroxide together can help to tackle mould as they are all mild abrasives.

Work in small sections using a tough-bristled toothbrush to really work your cleaner into the grout. Leave it for 30 minutes to develop, then rinse as necessary and dry the surface. Your tiles will look good as new!

## Spruce up your towels

Nothing says hotel bathroom quite like stepping out of the shower into a soft, fluffy towel and your guests deserve nothing less this festive season. Despite feeling super soft when you first buy them, after a couple of washes they can feel stiff and may also start losing their colour.

The first thing to consider is the temperature – always wash towels at 40C to maintain good hygiene and try to use a biological detergent to break down any dead skin cells.



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You might turn to fabric softener for towels, however, less is more! Too much of this can actually make them rough, and more tired-looking. Alternatively, try replacing your fabric softener with a cup of vinegar to strip away the build-up detergent and retore the towel's softness.

## Add statement fittings or fixtures

Let's face it, sometimes our bathroom can start to look a little worse for wear after time but often it's the smaller details that can really help to transform the room and bring a new lease of life.

If you're looking for some quick fixes ahead of Christmas, consider adding a lick of paint or change up your accessories by adding new fixtures and fittings, such as <u>taps</u>, shower fittings or <u>mirrors</u>. Adding a few simple statement pieces can really change the dynamic of a bathroom and is sure to impress guests.



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For even smaller changes, opt for new toilet brush holders, elegant soap dispensers or toilet roll holders and always try to find matching accessories that complement your bathroom's style and colour theme.

#### Clear out the clutter

Take a look inside your bathroom cabinet and on your shelves and it's highly likely that you'll have some empty bottles or containers lying around. Create the elusion of more space with a simple clear

out of all your empty or out of date products and be sure to read the labels to check if the packaging is recyclable.

Before tidying away your products, give the insides of your cupboards, cabinets and shelves a quick wipe down with a damp cloth to get rid of any residue, dust or dirt. Once you've created a bit of extra space, you'll be able to arrange your products neatly.

To really give it that 'hotel feel' consider adding some storage solutions or containers such as these glass jars with tray for essentials such as cotton wool, bath salts or soap.

#### Inject a signature scent

A quick and easy way to prep your bathroom for arrivals is by adding a soothing, fresh scent to the room to create a sense of tranquillity, whether this is through essential oils, diffusers or candles. Opt for scents that are known to create a calming, relaxing atmosphere.



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Rosemary and Eucalyptus are a known to be stress-relieving aromas and this pairing is often used in spas and wellbeing centres. Alternatively citrus scents, such as lemon and bergamot will give your bathroom that fresh, clean and uplifting feel. To create a calming, relaxing haven for your guests, try classic lavender.

# Add some bathroom friendly plants

Whilst you'll want to keep your bathroom looking minimal and uncluttered, adding plants to the room can really help to bring it to life. There are plenty of plants that love moist environments and need little light, making them perfect for the bathroom.



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You might consider snake plants, as they require little maintenance, or eucalyptus as they can be hung in the shower whilst it runs to release essential oils (this also acts as a great decongestant) A heart-leaf philodendron is also perfect as this plant loves to be kept in damp, humid environments and is great for adding a touch of greenery to your bathroom shelves.

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