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One of the biggest design considerations today is perhaps the lack of space. So how does one ensure efficient space allocation without compromising on luxury and style? Our homes in 2019 may be getting smaller, but they would also be smarter, more structured, greener and luxurious.

In the following pages, we show you how to achieve that perfect harmony, with top tips from architects and designers.





# VANITY ROOM VOGUE

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**R**edoing a bathroom doesn't always require a complete transformation of the space. Even the simplest of design alterations such as changing the sink, the faucet or bathroom wall lights can result in a sea change. The trend for 2019 is exciting! Expect bright or metallic bathroom fittings, tiled walls and floors with geometric and honeycomb designs. Sleeker options such as long and narrow tiles will be a major trend. Although copper will not disappear entirely, there'll be more preference towards brass, black and white metals. One style fits all is out, and every bathroom will be an extension of the house and the owner's personality.

"In 2019, bathrooms will be more sensitive towards fashion and design trends. The space has evolved to become a place of relaxation, a space devoted to personal well being rather than being purely a practical space. In the coming year, the bathroom will provide sanctuary from the stress of modern life. Privacy and a quiet time are the new valued luxuries and therefore the desire to create a calm environment strengthens in 2019. Interestingly,

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– Vikrant Bhawsar, Founder, Rainbow Designer & Associates

# BATHROOMS



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the emerging style takes many of its aesthetic cues from living rooms, which results in the inclusion of small, upholstered soft seating pieces and clusters of pendant lighting with dimming controls,” **Vikrant Bhawsar, Founder, Rainbow Designer & Associates**, says. Freestanding tubs will also be a big trend, with designers using the bathtub as a bathroom accessory and not just a functional piece. The bathroom will also become larger, and if space is a constraint, optical illusions, in the form of mirrors, glass partitions and mood lighting, will be used to make the space appear larger.

Bathrooms will see an increase in the use of technology in the form of wall-mounted phones, TV screens, sensor lights and mood lighting. These will be more vibrant, with glass replacing walls, along with addition of potted plants. All these elements will make the bathroom another room in the home in which the owner can comfortably spend time relaxing and recharging. “After the walk-in wardrobe, 2019 will see separate dressing zones for men and women,” Bhawsar says.

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