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Many of us dream of a freestanding copper bath, but not everyone has the space. Drummonds' Baby Tyne, £5820, is a smaller version of their iconic tub, so you can squeeze in a soak even if your bathroom is tight. Shown with Lapicida's Bluetta bookmatched tiles, £142.80 per sq m.

drummonds-uk.com



Colour-pop pendants

Pick your favourite or combine all of the Clava Dine's new shades for a 70s-inspired look. Umage's lampshade is comes in Red Earth, Ochre, Umber, and Slate, £165 each. Which one will you choose? umage.com



SPINAL TAP

With eight integrated body jet sprays and thermostatic controls, The Spine shower from Catchpole & Rye, £8640, combines modern functionality with traditionally designed brass pipework. Shown here in a silver nickel finish, it comes with a 12-inch shower rose as standard. catchpoleandrye.com

57%
of the population revealed they prefer showering to a soak in the tub, according to OnePoll research commissioned by Victorian Plumbing.

Out of sight

The latest Pelipal collection is a range of clever bathroom storage solutions. Dirty laundry can be kept hidden from view and essential toiletries are close to hand in this slick modular design. Prices for the system shown here start from £495.61, available from InHouse. inhousetd.co.uk



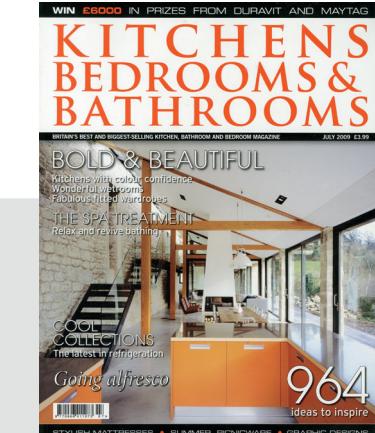
Optical illusion

A painting technique developed in the Victorian era – dubbed the Tide Line – has been revived by British Standard. Lacquering the lower three to four inches of a wall behind a kitchen counter helps protect it from cooking splashback but is also a nice design idea when it matches the colour of the cabinet beneath, as shown here using Farrow & Ball's India Yellow. British Standard kitchens start from around £8000, excluding appliances. britishstandardcupboards.co.uk



Fluid lines

Inspired by the running flow of water, Franke's Maris Free swivel tap has a spout with a sculptural twisted effect. It comes in matt black or a SilkSteel PVD finish, priced £399. franke.co.uk



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964 ideas to inspire

With KBB's 30th anniversary fast approaching, we've been delving into the cover archive. This month we've picked out July 2009, for its statement orange kitchen in a home located in what used to be an industrial building. It really packs a punch, don't you think?

3 of the best... interior design services

Need a helping hand with your new scheme? Check out what these home experts offer



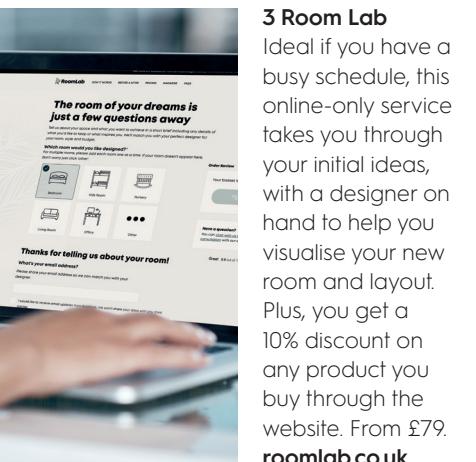
1 Neptune

Meet with a specialist designer in store for assistance on marrying the brand's distinct elegant style with your own personality and aesthetic. They can advise on anything from paint colours to bespoke pieces. From £300. neptune.com



2 Rose + George

Founders Kristen and Harriet offer three flat-rate packages. Style Me, £175, helps you rethink what you own; Revamp Lite, from £250 per room, for a design concept; and Revamp Me, from £550 per room, is a home visit to inspire a new scheme. rosegeorge.co.uk



3 Room Lab

Ideal if you have a busy schedule, this online-only service takes you through your initial ideas, with a designer on hand to help you visualise your new room and layout. Plus, you get a 10% discount on any product you buy through the website. From £79. roomlab.co.uk

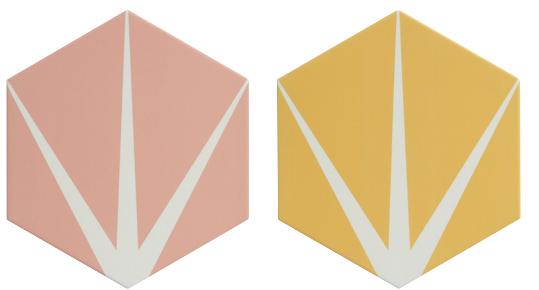


Rattan revival

With distinct 70s-inspired shapes, Urban Outfitters' new homeware range is certainly one for lovers of all things retro. Highlights in the Ria collection include a double bed, £849; book shelf, £329; and dresser, £899, all of which are available online or in the Glasgow, Bath, Oxford, White City, Marble Arch, and Oxford Circus stores. urbanoutfitters.com/en-gb

Tile of choice

You've seen them on social media: Ca'Pietra's Lily Pad ceramic tiles, £2.30 each sold in packs of 10, are now also available in Bubblegum and Custard shades. Suitable for interior walls and floors, they can be laid in an array of different patterns. Add them to your wishlist immediately. capietra.com



SUPER SOAKER

We all want to do our bit to help the planet – one way is to reduce how much water we use every day. Hansgrohe's latest showers feature Ecosmart technology, consuming up to 60% less water than conventional products. The Raindance E showerpipe 300 one-jet EcoSmart 9 litres per minute with ShowerTablet shown here costs £1660. hansgrohe.co.uk



Discreet design

WCs often take a purely functional form, but TheOne, around £415, designed by Meneghello Paolelli Associati for The.ArCeram makes a stylish statement. The hingeless inset seat cover is made from WoodSkin technology for a softer appearance that is still very hygienic and also features a leather loop handle. artceram.it



On Yvette's radar



1. Go green

The shade has been having a moment, particularly in pastel form, and not just for paint. I'm currently eyeing up Cuisinart's iced dessert maker in Light Pistachio, £120. cuisinart.co.uk



2. Save more water

Did you know the average person in the UK uses 140 litres of water per day?* To combat this, Methven's Rua showerhead uses Aurajet technology, which reduces how much water is used while delivering a high-spray force for a rejuvenating shower. Plus it looks pretty stylish, too. methven.com



3. Tech on trial

This month I've been testing out the Mydlink WiFi smart plug, priced £29.99. **Why I tried it:** It can be controlled remotely through your smartphone or – better yet – voice-controlled via a smart home hub. You can create automatic on/off schedules as well. **What I thought:**

Getting comfortable on the sofa after a long day and being able to say "turn my fan on" without having to get back up was a treat. eu.dlink.com

4. Summer nights

As the evenings start to get warmer, it's time to learn from the Australians. Sheridan's Fallsgrave quilt cover set, £119 for a double, is made from 100% cotton sateen – breathable and soft to the touch. sheridanaustralia.co.uk



*Source: Water Saving Week

Showroom showcase

Planning a renovation? Browse our pick of the latest shopping destinations to meet your design needs

Porcelanosa

What's new?

Relocating from its old spot in Peterborough, the Spanish tile retailer has opened a brand new showroom in Cambridge.

Where is it?

Unit 11, The Beehive Centre, Coldhams Lane, Cambridge CB1 3ET

Why go?

Not only can you shop a wide array of designs for both walls and floors – such as the ultra-thin Xlight large-format tiles – but a variety of bathrooms too.



Don't miss...

Speaking to one of the brand's in-house designers, who work in the showroom and are on hand to help you with your new bathroom design.

porcelanosa.com

"It's always worth visiting a few different showrooms to get a feel for what you like and what each one has to offer – but don't rush. Take your time browsing and only go ahead with a purchase you feel 100% comfortable making. The staff will be able to help you with any questions you have, too."

Yvette,
features writer



Loaf

What's new?

Just outside St Albans, the new showroom – or Loaf Shack – is easy to get to from the M1, A1(M), and M25 – with plenty of on-site parking, too.

Where is it?

Albert Bygrave Retail Park, North Orbital Road, St Albans AL2 1DL

Why go?

Ice cream, a game of table football, and a giant teddy bear keep kids entertained while you browse the luxuriously comfy sofas and beds.

Don't miss...

The chance to test out the five different mattresses available.

loaf.com



Kelling Designs

What's new?

A townhouse is now home to the brand's workspace, showroom, and design studio.

Where is it?

3 Langton Street, Chelsea, London SW10 0JL

Why go?

Explore Kelling Designs' signature fabrics and wallpapers in functioning living spaces – spread over two floors – alongside the in-house KDLOves product range.

Don't miss...

Whether you need help sourcing a few new soft furnishings or a complete turn-key service, Kelling Designs offers it all.

kellingdesigns.com



Darlings of Chelsea

What's new?

Recently relaunched, the space is now solely dedicated to luxury beds and sofa beds, affectionately nicknamed Darlings of Sleep.

Where is it?

9-13 Fulham High St, Fulham, London SW6 3JH

Why go?

Whether you are looking for a traditional frame or a contemporary design, Darlings of Chelsea now offer all options under one roof. The showroom is also only a 15-minute walk away from the Parsons Green branch.

Don't miss...

The opportunity to peruse and test out the brand's latest additions to its collections – the Andreas and Felton ranges plus the Brendon sofa bed and Corby storage chaise sofa bed.

darlingsofchelsea.co.uk

Willow and Hall

What's new?

The brand's only showroom, located in an original converted stable off Chiswick High Road, now displays the latest collections.

Where is it?

Orchard Place, 1A Thornton Avenue, Chiswick, London W4 1PL



Why go?

For the relaxing experience. Down a quiet street, the showroom plays slow jazz all day long and offers fresh hot and cold drinks as you browse the collections.

Don't miss...

The new Live service, if you can't get to

the showroom straight away. A member of the personal shopping team can talk you through any items you wish to look at, demonstrate and discuss customisation options, and show you how they work.

willowandhall.co.uk

Baden Bathrooms

What's new?

The bathroom brand has opened a showroom in one of Guilford's listed buildings

store has been designed to show off how the team can make the most of your project, no matter its size or state. Awkwardly shaped bathroom? These guys are up for the challenge.

Where is it?

17 Park Street, Guildford, Surrey GU1 4XB

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Don't miss...

Fixtures and fittings from the likes of Laufen, Ashton & Bentley, Kaledwei, and Laura Ashley.

badenbathrooms.co.uk



Day True

What's new?

The Chelsea showroom has had a revamp and includes some stylish new bathroom designs



Where is it?

302-304 Fulham Road, Chelsea, London SW10 9ER



Why go?

If you're after a scheme with a bit of a cool edge, this is the place to visit. The award-winning team are renowned for creating forward-thinking, bespoke designs for your whole home.

Don't miss...

Lots of refreshing bathroom inspiration – the new, personalised Thomas Crapper cistern in front of a stunning Cole & Son wallpaper backdrop is a real style statement.

daytrue.com



The Cotswolds Company

What's new?

An impressive 762sq m showroom a few minutes away from Harrogate train station.

Where is it?

49 - 57 Station Parade, Harrogate HG1 1TT

Why go?

The brand's distinct Cotswolds look has been brought to Yorkshire, where you can now shop for bedroom furniture and accessories amongst other living areas.

Don't miss...

Picking up free wood and fabric samples to take home with you before making a final decision on your new furnishings.

cotswoldco.com