

Bath

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The urban bathroom makes optimal use of space with built-in shelves and storage and small-scale designs. Taking advantage of the industrial look of city pipes, bathrooms in metropolitan homes are edgier than suburban counterparts.



New York



Cecilia Tham and Yoel Karaso, Barcelona



Michael Pozner, New York



Curtis Popp, Sacramento, California



Mandi Rafaty, Los Angeles



Jimmy Schonning, Stockholm, Sweden

Multifunctional

Sinks and bathtubs are essentially the same form on different scales, which explains why the multipurpose bathroom combines the two into one design. The Whirlpool Body Box by Eckhardt & Kiessler combines nearly all the bathroom functions into one form.



Tambo by Inbani



Whirlpool Body Box by Eckhardt & Kiessler



Exelen Bath Fixtures by Gabriele et Oscar Buratti

Having an area exclusively dedicated to laundry is, increasingly, a luxury many cannot afford, so combining these spaces into one manageable washing space is often a necessity. Read our report on the [bathroom-laundry space here](#).



Spatia compact kitchen by A Citterio for Arclinea



Laundry wall by Whirlpool

Versatile

Bathroom products are increasingly efficient when it comes to space, function and organisation. Designers are finding sleek ways to pack more punch into the small space.



Parapari by Agape Design



Zu by Alape



Wall Mounted Faucet by Wet

Compact

Clean, simple and small designs hide plumbing necessities out of sight and keep the smallest room in the house clear of clutter.



The Nendo Collection for Bisazza Bagno



Tambo by Inbani



Linea by Axolute

Although spaces are smaller, that doesn't mean urban dwellers have to compromise on luxury. Steam showers enable consumers to create their own home spa for relaxing, recharging and cleansing.



Home spa by Glass Idromassaggio



Revolution compact shower, dry sauna, steam bath and shower by Carmenta



St.Trop spa steam shower by Duravit