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"In this bath, we added a beautiful painted Louis XVI-style French bench with an elegant silk cut velvet square fabric to add a little glamour," says designer Will Huff. "This client loves all things French, so we used the upholstered screen hanging above the tub to evoke the feeling of walking into a French orangerie." Design partner Heather Dewberry adds that creating a custom screen allowed them to have the size and style they needed, while adding just the right amount of drama to the room.

DESIGN DETAILS

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Soft Touch

Designers Will Huff and Heather Dewberry offer up 10 smart solutions for taking the edge off hard surfaces and adding warmth to cold spaces.

- Introduce upholstered pieces if the space allows. This can break up large, open floors as well as add to the feeling of comfort more often found in living rooms.
- Consider using window treatments and upholstery in baths not only for aesthetics, but also to cut down on the "echo factor" in a room made mostly of stone and tile.
- Accessorize your bathroom as you would any other room in your home. Beautiful vases and fresh flowers will make a cold room feel cozy.
- Using chandeliers, sconces and lamps along with recessed lighting produces a softer more relaxed glow. Make sure they are on dimmers so that you don't overlight your room.
- Glazing and antiquing your cabinetry will give it the appearance of being a piece of furniture. Don't forget the cabinet hardware; although a subtle detail, hardware can make a big difference.
- The finish and style of your faucets can dictate the feeling of a bathroom. Know whether you are going for a classic and elegant look or the clean lines of a more modern and contemporary look.
- Laying larger floor tiles on the diagonal can open up a room to make it appear more gracious.
- Frameless shower doors will make your shower feel more open and less confining. They also don't detract from the tile in the shower, which allows for the decorative accents to show through.
- When placing towel bars, hang them in functional but inconspicuous areas. They should not be focal points.
- Great linens complete a beautiful bathroom. Knowing that after freshening up you can wrap yourself in a lush towel is the ultimate luxury.