ROUND MIRROR
Softens the square angles in the bathroom

'We've created the ultimate retreat'

Thinking outside the box enabled Sarah and Chris Jones to make the most of their windowless bathroom, choosing opulent black marble and atmospheric lighting for a luxurious vibe

'We knocked through to the living room to create space for a walk-in shower and concealed WC.'
Roper Rhodes Diverge vanity unit and basin, £688; mirror, £342, both JMG Bathrooms. Crosswater MPRO basin mixer tap in Brushed Brass, £185.99, Drench

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Welcome to my home

Sarah Jones lives here with her husband Chris and their baby, Callum.

THE PROPERTY
A four-bedroom terrace townhouse built in 1997, in Shepperton, Surrey.

WHAT IT COST
Bath and tap.....£963
Shower head and controls.....£762
Vanity unit, basin and taps.....£874
Paint.....£53
Black marble tiles...£800
Wood-look tiles.....£471
TOTAL.....**£3,923**

"It's invigorating in the morning and relaxing at night. We have a high-end look that's also low maintenance"

HOW SARAH AND CHRIS DID IT

'When we moved in four years ago we made changes throughout the house, finally taking on the bathroom. It was a mishmash of styles and the layout didn't work, so we searched for an interior designer to provide a creative approach that was a bit different. We found Caroline Nicholls, from Slightly Quirky Interior Design (slightlyquirky.com). Working with an expert allowed us to explore our ideas and make them a reality, especially when it came to the layout, lighting, sourcing materials and sanitaryware, as well as achieving a cohesive overall look. A spa style, embracing the lack of windows in the room to create a cocoon-like feel, with a dark, luxurious finish and great lighting, was top of our wish list. The build started at the beginning of 2020 and included taking some space from the living room. The project took three months and cost around £13,000.'

ATMOSPHERIC LIGHTING
Warm white LED strip lights with diffusers were installed in the niches and along the bottom of the bath

'We made sure we had enough space for a sliding pocket door and carefully selected a bath that would also allow room for the walk-in shower.'
Kaldewei Saniform bath, £448, JMG Bathrooms. Mimica Nero Portoro Matt porcelain tiles, £53.93sq m, Mandarin Stone

ABOVE 'I didn't want any glass to clean, so we opted to go screen-free.'
Nomad Dark porcelain tiles, £23.95sq m, Mandarin Stone. Crosswater MPRO shower head, £214.99; handset with wall outlet and hose, £136.99, all in Brushed Brass, Drench

ABOVE 'Bath and shower controls can be conveniently set to required temperature.'
Crosswater MPRO 2-outlet concealed thermostatic shower valve in Brushed Brass, £514.99, Drench

RIGHT 'A neat floating WC is concealed from view when you walk in the room.'
Pura Arco WC, £261.10; Brass flush plate, £120, both JMG Bathrooms

WHAT I'VE LEARNED

"Decide on all the components before you get started because one small missing element can delay the whole project"

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