

Pure Vanity

Whether wall-hung or freestanding, sleek or statement, vanity units are one of the keys to completing your dream bathroom scheme

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When it comes to choosing the focal piece in our bathroom we often think of either the bath or the shower as being the main elements in the space. However, vanity units are just as important to consider and are entering the spotlight as statement pieces of furniture in their own right. Whether you are looking to completely revamp your bathroom or just after some fresh, new ideas, there are plenty of different designs and materials out there for you to choose from.



Determining what the function of the vanity unit will be is the first port of call. Leila Roberts, bathroom buyer for Fired Earth, says: 'As a vanity unit is one of the key pieces in a bathroom, it's important that it doesn't date too quickly and that it provides the storage space you need. It's easy to underestimate storage, so it's well worth considering how much space you'll need for towels and bottles, for example. It's also key to think about whether you'd prefer to keep everything tucked neatly out of sight behind cupboard doors, or if you'd like to have some open storage space for instant accessibility.' Bearing these factors in mind will help you to work out whether you would prefer a freestanding or wall-hung unit. A bigger freestanding unit can be a better option for more storage options, whereas the latter is popular for more compact bathrooms to create a more streamlined effect and save on space.