



Left: A series of spotlights cast a warm glow on the Bardiglio grey marble top of this vanity unit by Cue & Co. The sink, taps and towel holder are all from Perrin & Rowe. The price for the vanity unit, including brassware and accessories, is £3540.



Above: "We lowered the ceiling leaving a slot for the curved mosaic wall," explains Lucia Caballero of Caballero Design. "With LEDs illuminating the slit between the wall and the false ceiling, the wall appears to go on forever. Keeping peripheral fixtures such as the cantilevered basin unit and bench seat in the shower very simple allows the marble and mosaics to shine." The total cost of this bathroom was approximately £50,000.

Safety first

The close proximity of electricity to water in the bathroom makes safety an important issue, says Paul Nulty of Paul Nulty Lighting Design.

"Current UK electrical regulations separate the bathroom space into a series of zones (0 to 2, radiating outwards from the location of water) and specify electrical rules to achieve a safer bathroom environment.

"Anything within a wet area such as a bath or basin (zone 0) must be immersion-proof (IP67). Anything immediately next to the wet area to a height of 2.25 metres (zone 1) must be at least IP44 and fitted with an RCD (residual current device). Zone 2, meanwhile, covers the area within a 60cm radius of the perimeter of the bath to a height of 2.25 metres, and 60cm radius from a tap. This zone must have an IP rating of at least IP44."