

WHERE TO BUY BATHS, BASINS AND TAPS

Bathrooms are no longer seen as simply functional places but as havens to relax in. If you are looking to upgrade your suite, London is awash with companies selling classic and cutting-edge designs, and we've tracked down the best of them

BATHROOMS INTERNATIONAL, 4 Pont Street, SW1X 9EL, (020) 7838 7788; www.bathroomsint.com.

This elegant town house showroom is well worth a visit as it features several distinctive bathroom sets put together by renowned interior designers. Look out for the classic-meets-contemporary bathroom by Todhunter Earle, which features the deep Yoko bath with a teak top (£4,495) and chrome taps with a waterfall spout (£1,169). Also worth noting is Tessa Kennedy's opulent bathroom, with its marble floors and a bath decorated with mother-of-pearl (£5,828). Nina Campbell has designed a charming Country House bathroom, while Ann Boyd's washroom is inspired by Moorish influences. You'll also find a huge selection of taps, including seriously opulent ones made with Lalique crystal (from £1,645).

