



Adding new shine to bathrooms

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BATHROOMS can be very expensive to renovate but there are ways to spruce them up without spending the big bucks.

The Australian director of Paco Jaanson, Ari Zorlu, provides his top bathroom budget tips to change your bathroom from bland to grand.

Colour and light

ADD colour to bring life to your old bathroom.

“Colour will jazz-up your bathroom,” Mr Zorlu said.

“In sanitary-ware it is black and in tapware it is black or white. Italian designers IB Rubinetterie have done a great job in introducing these two colours to their collection in the Super Box range, produced in chrome and brushed nickel in gold, black, red, blue, green and white.

“With colour it is also important to consider the tiles — make sure they reflect the space. For example, use light colours and elongated shapes to

make small spaces look bigger.”

Be spacious conscious

THE key elements to lift your bathroom are to be space conscious but do not clutter.

Mr Zorlu says it’s all about selecting the right products.

“Be particular with your bath and vanities, anything that may take up a lot of space it is important to be mindful with for a change-up in your bathroom.

“To make your bathroom look bigger you can also add a mirror and this will create a bigger effect in your bathroom.”

Mobile furniture

MOBILE furniture can be extremely useful and a cheaper alternative to renovating your entire bathroom.

Mr Zorlu recommends to use trolleys, drawer units and items that you can move around and offer versatility.

Price

BEFORE getting stuck into your bathroom renovations, Mr Zorlu says to take price and product value into consideration.

“Taking price into consideration, it is always better to purchase the lower end of a strong brand rather than one that has no name. With a trusted brand, you have the added benefits of warranty, product back-up and so forth. For example, the Next Gen range from Paco Jaanson provides a more affordable option.”

Choose timeless pieces

FOR a major-uplift that will last the distance, Mr Zorlu says to buy contemporary and current pieces that won’t date too quickly.

“The average bathroom upgrade is 15 years, so make sure your selection will at least last this long. The Super Box collection is a great example of a timeless collection with its play of contrasts combining high sophistication with bold dynamics.”



Bland to grand: (Above and below) Use colour and contemporary pieces that won’t date too quickly.