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ARCHITECTS EMIL HUMBERT AND CHRISTOPHE POYET CURATE A REFINED
PARISIAN EN SUITE SHOWCASING THEIR SIGNATURE SYMMETRY-LED STYLE



BATHROOM CASE STUDY



1 TWO INTO ONE

This project involved the unification of two separate apartments into a single elegant family home in the fashionable Le Marais district of Paris. Part of a huge master suite, this bathroom has incredible 4m-high ceilings and is entered via an inner foyer containing the cloakroom and floor-to-ceiling wardrobes.



2 RICH DETAILING

Framing the furniture doors in brass and adding brass handles makes the whole arrangement feel more precious. The vanity mirrors allude to art deco design and although they are fixed to the wall for safety, we wanted to give the impression they have just been placed there, like a beautiful mirror propped on a mantelpiece.



3 IN THE FRAME

The apartment has baths elsewhere, so the owners asked us to focus on a generous statement shower – the most luxurious we’ve designed. Black metal framing adds theatre and beautifully showcases the antique French black marble interior. This stone is special, with a jet-black base and crisp white veining. Watermark’s lacquered brass shower fittings look like jewels inside.

4 BALANCING ROLE

We love using symmetry in our designs; it lends a sense of calmness and grace. One of the reasons we kept the WC out of this room was to enable perfect symmetry. There is a matching console and mirror on either side of the shower cabin, so when you look at it straight-on, the arrangement of fittings is completely symmetrical. A WC would have unbalanced everything, and there are privacy issues, of course.

SOURCEBOOK

Bespoke double **vanity unit** with Arabescato marble **basins** and **console units**, painted in Oval Room Blue by Farrow & Ball; bespoke brass-framed **mirrors**; bespoke sconce **wall lights**, all custom designed and made by Humbert & Poyet. Henry pressure balance control **valve**, £804; Henry thermostatic control **valve**, £1,212; Henry **hand shower** on hook, £948; 2 x Henry Low Profile three-hole basin **taps**, £1,350, with lever **handles** in brass, all Waterworks. Lapidica supplies similar Arabescato **marble**, from £295sq m, and similar black **marble** with white veins, from £195sq m. **Table decor** by Kelly Wearstler.

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