



#### THE DETAILS

**Design:** Chuck Mills Residential Design & Development Inc. with Gina Godin (Deslaurier Custom Cabinets)  
**Contractor:** Rejean Guindon Construction Corporation  
**Tub:** Victoria + Albert Amalfi  
**Toilet:** Toto Aquia, wall-mounted  
**Vanity:** Wall-mounted walnut vanity with chocolate stain, Deslaurier Custom Cabinets  
**Counter:** Caesarstone quartz (Raven)  
**Sinks:** Toto LT540G under-mounted  
**Faucet (shower):** Hansgrohe Raindance E 360 AIR 1-Jet Showerhead and Raindance S 120 AIR 3-Jet Hand Shower (chrome)  
**Faucet (sink):** Hansgrohe Axor Massaud (chrome)  
**Glass (shower):** M & T Glass  
**Shelves (floating):** Walnut with chocolate stain, Deslaurier Custom Cabinets  
**Lighting (sconces):** Arevco  
**Mirror:** Custom frame, Deslaurier Custom Cabinets  
**Tiles (shower):** Calacatta marble tile 12" x 24"; horizontal blue limestone mosaic tile border  
**Wall Panels (behind tub):** Walnut with chocolate stain  
**Tiles (floor):** Calacatta marble floor tiles (12" x 24" brick pattern) with inlaid mosaic patterns

## CASUAL OPULENCE

*Clean lines and elegant styling create the illusion of space in this compact bathroom*

BY SARAH BROWN

When Denis Staples took the plunge in 2012 and rebuilt a new house on his Alta Vista property, the president of Deslaurier Custom Cabinets knew just where to turn for expert advice. He teamed up with design-builder Chuck Mills and Deslaurier's in-house designer, Gina Godin, to envision a contemporary space with beautiful finishings. With two young boys in the house, Denis and his wife, Julie, opted to situate their master bedroom and ensuite in the basement for privacy. Mills lifted the new bungalow out of the ground to allow for expansive windows.

Asked to choose a favourite feature in this elegant bathroom, Mills points to the floating vanity, noting how it makes the room feel bigger and allows more of the gorgeous mosaic flooring to be seen. He also draws attention to how the inlaid tile flooring cleverly defines the different areas of the bathroom and how the rich marble, carried up the wall, expands the space. The chocolate-stained walnut wall panels were a brilliant idea of Godin's, calculated to complement the vanity and shelves while setting off the whiteness of the tub.

Still, when the Staples think about what stands out for them, Julie immediately references the soaker tub, while Denis points to the spacious shower with its relaxing rain-head faucet. Both love organized spaces so really appreciate the attached walk-in closet. This is a project where business partners were also friends, where everyone worked together to create one unified look.



1 The **mosaic floors** add visual interest and delineate different areas of the bathroom

2 The **floating vanity** makes the room feel bigger and showcases more of the tile floor

3 The elegant **marble shower** includes ample niches, a Chuck Mills signature

