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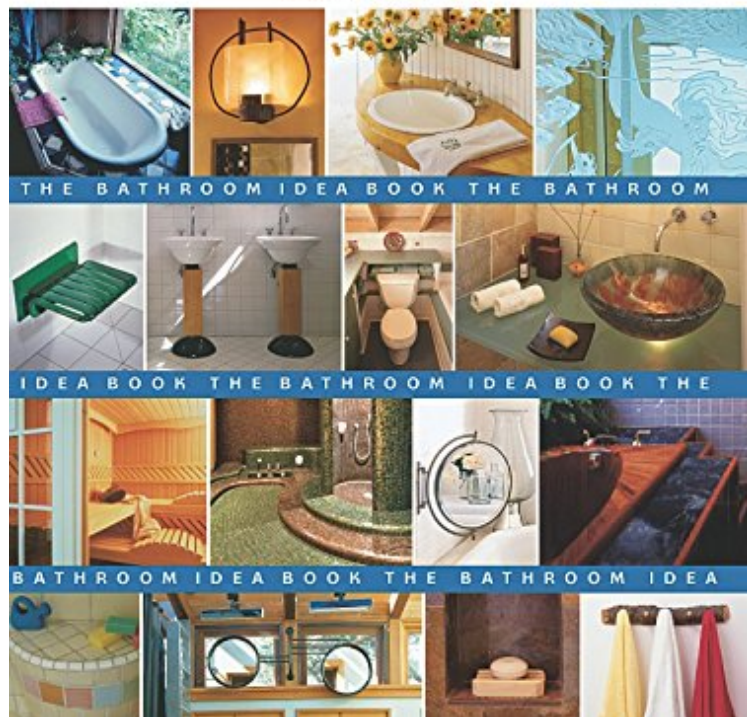
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62 of 64 people found the following review helpful. NO IDEASBy JAYBIRDBeing in the home improvement business, I felt odd needing ideas when it came time to upgrade the bathrooms in my own home. Perhaps making a living building the bathroom of everyone elses dreams helped to fog the picture of what I wanted my own to be. Taunton Publishing puts out a trade magazine that I swear by. So when I decided to purchase a book on bathrooms I thought I couldnt go wrong with this one. How wrong I was. This book is little more than a collection of photographs of high end and ultra high end bathrooms. Here in my neck of the woods a complete bath renovation ranges in cost from between ten and fifteen thousand dollars for an average bath. Very few of the rooms displayed in this book would make that budget. Aside from the introduction there is almost no text to assist the "reader" in understanding

requirements or even necessities prior to planning a bath remodel. Perhaps the fact that I am in this line of work colors my opinion of the book, but if photos qualify as ideas, I'd recommend picking up a few magazines on bath remodeling and get a fuller picture. 0 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Excellent Reference Guide for the Bathroom Renovator By kd Last fall, I purchased a house that had three bathrooms, all in desperate need of serious redecorating. The house had been built in the late 70s and the bathroom decor hadn't aged well. I turned to this book as my guide as I tried to figure out how to update the look while catering to my own tastes--and was immediately inspired by the ideas and examples in Wormer's book. I was particularly impressed by the range of color schemes and interesting use of light and angles in many of the baths he showcased. Although I was drawn to designs I couldn't reproduce in my house due to plumbing and space considerations, I continually referred to this book when discussing cabinetry with designers and selecting materials and fixtures. Six months later, I'm very pleased with the results of my bathroom design project. I've enhanced the value of my house -- and created visually pleasant rooms in which to bath and groom. If I ever build a house from scratch or tackle a renovation project with less plumbing constraints, I know I'll be scouring the pages of this book for ideas again! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Horribly Outdated Designs By Sunshine The publish date is 2001, but I'd say most of the bathrooms featured were designed in the 80s or early 90s. In fact, about one quarter of them featured are actually worse than the bathroom in my house that I plan to demolish. If, for some reason, your goal is to create a very high end 80's style bathroom, then this is the book for you.

The latest design ideas and must-have amenities for the bath. Whether you're updating a half-bath or designing an all-new spa, Sandra Sorias newly updated Bathroom Idea Book is your guide to planning well and choosing wisely. Solve design challenges the way the experts do! This photo-packed Idea Book features upgrades, remodels, and renovations for closet-size to master-suite baths, all of them for real-life situations. Innovative thinking and clever solutions solve almost any challenge you can imagine: using the existing footprint more effectively creating more storage with built-ins and shelving budget-wise upgrades for a sleeker, more modern look total renovations that take into consideration aging owners custom construction that takes advantage of the latest advances A highly visual way to brainstorm ideas. Builders, designers, and homeowners will find a wealth of ideas in Bathroom Idea Book along with 350 gorgeous photographs, 15 illustrations, and information on: cabinets, countertops, fixtures, flooring, tile, faucets, sinks, and tubs. Like all books in this series, this Idea Book encourages creative thinking that can achieve goals without breaking the bank. Know what's available ... and make smart choices. With before-and-after case studies, information on advances in heating and water conservation, and budget-friendly strategies, Bathroom Idea Book helps you plan wisely. That way you won't have to throw in the towel before your project is complete!

.com As its name suggests, The Bathroom Idea Book is all about ideas. In fact, anyone who views the book's 400 color photos will have clearer ideas about what they absolutely love, simply appreciate and definitely detest in bathroom design. Andrew Wormer has done an excellent job of covering enough ground to make this book useful for both the do-it-yourselfer and the homeowner who wants to paint a clear picture for an architect or a builder. Just about every bathroom style and option is covered and beautifully photographed, from antique fixtures (pedestal sinks, clawfoot tubs), to modern luxuries (a shower with a bubbling footbath and eight adjustable body and hydromassage jets), to high-tech touches (a cascading waterfall shower digitally controlled by a thermostatic valve and 10 massaging body jets), to the low-frill and durable (installing an acrylic liner over your old, battered tub). The book would be even more useful if Wormer devoted additional space to the costs of the sometimes sensible, sometimes spacious and sometimes glorious bathrooms we see. He does offer a few paragraphs on general price ranges and helps the reader understand what drives up costs (moving fixtures and walls), but this book ultimately is about dreaming, not budgeting. Read it to imagine how your bathroom could look, then worry about the price. This is not to suggest that the book lacks helpful planning tips. Overhead drawings on many pages give you a sense of the rest of the bathroom that can't be captured in a photo. And Wormer offers options for one of the trickier challenges when trying to improve the most frequently remodeled room in the house--finding more space. Among his ideas is annexing space from an adjoining area, such as a closet or hallway. Readers of The Bathroom Idea Book will find that even if their dream bathroom isn't pictured, they will be able to mix-and-match and combine features from various photos to get a good idea of what they can do. -- John Russell From Library Journal Wormer, a remodeler and contributing editor to Fine Homebuilding, explains how to create a bathroom designed specifically with the user in mind--families with kids, working couples, or the physically challenged. Beautifully photographed bathrooms by top designers demonstrate the huge range of possibilities available to remodelers. Materials, fixtures, and storage options are also discussed. (LJ 9/15/99) Copyright 2000 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Booklist This is really a wish book, but with the difference that carpenter and author Wormer throws so much textual data into his pages that it almost overwhelms the visual effect--but not quite, fortunately. Although none of the designs are outre or outlandish, bathrooms here do span styles and periods--from serene Japanese style to clawfoot tubs on country bare floors--giving readers an abundance of choices. This decorating anthology acts as both instruction and viewing gallery; we learn about specific materials, fixtures, and features, such as antiscald

shower valves and the characteristics of porcelain enamel. The builder's perspective adds great value to an otherwise run-of-the-mill look-see book. Barbara Jacobs