



small bath



says. The solution: Annex surrounding space to increase square footage and use a white-on-white color scheme to create the illusion of more square footage. Custom cabinets work with the ceiling's deep angles while maximizing storage opportunities to keep clutter under control. "A teenage girl needs lots of storage for hair dryers, styling equipment, and product," Rinfret says. "So we created the vanity and dropped the height a few inches to accommodate the deep vessel sink." To the left of the vanity, shelves built between wall studs hold towels and favorite fragrances. To the right, a shallow cabinet with a drawer provides storage above the toilet. A single slab of white solid-surfacing countertop stretches from wall to wall, connecting the two storage areas. Mirror fronts on the cabinet doors and drawers also visually enlarge the space and reflect light around the interior room.

Another challenge: squeezing a shower into a powder room. "We were lucky enough to have a closet tucked in the back of the bathroom," Rinfret says. "That niche served as the perfect spot for the shower." And when showers are through, a custom-built bench designed to match the cabinetry serves as the

ABOVE LEFT: A white-on-white scheme combines with mirror-front cabinets to give this windowless bath a bright feel.



ABOVE: A frameless glass shower door keeps the bathing area connected to the rest of the bath and gives the impression of a larger room. **BELOW LEFT:** Cabinetry above the toilet provides space for cleaning supplies and overflow storage from the vanity. **BELOW MIDDLE:** A bench topped with a terry cloth cushion

perfect spot to dry off. Its built-in drawer houses fresh towels and extra toiletries.

A smart mix of materials adds much-needed texture and visual interest. Hexagonal floor tile in the shower and main bath unifies the two spaces and helps the eye read them as one large area, while mosaic tile on the shower walls adds a modern twist. For a subtle hint of contrast in the monochromatic color palette, Rinfret opted for a creamy white for the cabinetry and a crisp, cool white for the walls. "The beauty of this room is that no matter what you put in here colorwise, it looks great," Rinfret says. If the daughter wants to replace the pink accents with a different color, it's as easy as switching out accessories and towels.

Even without a window, the room is bright thanks to the materials and colors. "It wasn't easy," Rinfret says. "But the room just sparkles. I think this satisfies the parents' desire for function and usability and the daughter's desire for something more transitional, young, and funky—it's a space she can grow into." **KBI** RESOURCES BEGIN ON PAGE 134.



provides a place to dry off, and the drawer below keeps towels and shower supplies close at hand. **BELOW RIGHT:** Mirror-front doors and drawers grace the custom-built vanity, adding glamour while reflecting light—a valuable trick to make the space look bigger.

LITTLE LUXURIES

Bright white finishes and smart storage transform a small under-the-eaves bath.

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PLEASING A TEENAGER ISN'T EASY, especially when it comes to her personal space. How do you balance the traditional with the trendy, the functional with the funky, to appeal to a hip youth? Designer Cindy Rinfret had the task of converting a sparse upper-level powder room in this Greenwich, Connecticut, house into a chic full bath to accompany the new bedroom suite for the homeowners' daughter.

"It was a tricky thing to do—to create a light, spacious look in a dark, 7×5-foot room without a window," Rinfret

