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The definition of luxury is a personal one. And it goes without saying the elements that go into the design of a bathroom are clearly a personal decision. At its core, a bathroom is a functional space that requires the same utility for any project. But, what would an en suite bathroom



look like if budget and imagination had no limits? A recent project by Sandwich's Casabella Interiors for a homeowner in Dennis was so successfully creative and masterfully accomplished, it was recently recognized by the Builders and Remodelers Association of Greater Boston with a PRISM award.

homeowner approached us and asked us to imagine a luxurious, restorative space for their new master bath." Casabella's Michele Chagnon-Holbrook explains. "It was such a fun project because both the budget and the possibilities had few restrictions. But, just like any project that has a tighter budget, each and every decision has to be thoughtful and appropriate for the space." Chagnon-Holbrook and lead designer Shannon Heritage



leveraged their depth of expertise to source some of the most unexpected and opulent materials and applied them to a truly inspired design layout.

The project initiated with the renovation of the client's master en suite, where Casabella re-worked the floor plan to take advantage of the spectacular oceanfront views, overlooking a private beach, for special elements like a free-standing slipper tub, with a mid-deck fixture, tucked into a private alcove. Natural Italian dolomite marble spans throughout the bath and around the threshold-free, over-sized shower that takes center stage in the middle of the room.

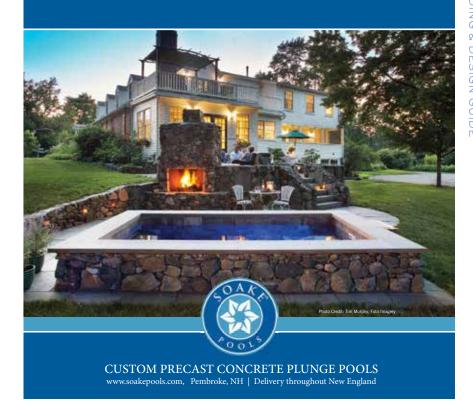
The choice of materials in the shower set the tone for the unique and lavish lifestyle Casabella deftly

acknowledges. The team also mixed things up a bit in the upper half of the shower with a sparkling mother of pearl fish-scale tile that she oriented sideways. Below, a wainscoted modesty wall-which is customized to the homeowner's height-re-introduces the dolomite marble with a Thasssos marble chair rail separating the two tile treatments. Underfoot, the mother of pearl fish scale tile re-appears to ground and unify the entire expansive shower floor. Steam and rain shower heads provide options and are operable from the clients' smart phones. An oversized teal bench is large enough for a restful repose while taking in the steam.

A soothing blue-gray color palette found on the walls and in the fabrics chosen for sublime window treatments, softens the hard, cold edges so often found in a bath space. The custom-made dual dresser vanities allow plenty of space for both the husband and the wife, while providing subtle nods to the sophistication of the space through the polished nickel hardware and subtle ribbed treatment found in the cabinetry's drawer and door fronts. The spa-like feel is accentuated by Casabella's team who has seen to every last detail, including monogramed towels and robes.

A retreat on the Cape is an opportunity to de-stress, relax and re-charge. With Casabella's team at the drawing board, this family's private space has become a place for just that. - Julie Craven Wagner

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