



#### Fact file

The bathroom was designed by Royston Wilson and built by **BUBBLES BATHROOMS** Melbourne, Victoria  
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**Vanity** CaesarStone, Dulux paint **Bath** Kaldewei Centro Duo Shower Hansgrohe shower head **Basin** Poca Jansson  
**Toilet** Roca Dama **Taps** Poca Jansson wall mixer  
**Tiles** porcelain in Light Sand, Mocha and Coffee  
**Lighting** Curved Murano wall light and Murano glass mocha pendant lights  
**Cost**, approximately, for design, installation, plumbing, electrical, fixtures and fittings \$40,000

**After years spent** living in Japan, the owner of this bathroom desperately wanted to re-create the magnificent scenes and home life he had enjoyed while abroad and transformed the courtyard of his Melbourne Victorian cottage into an oriental-inspired oasis.

As charming as it was, it remained incomplete due to the mismatched traditional bathroom that looked over it, so he enlisted the help of Bubbles Bathrooms to complete the Eastern makeover. The main focus of the renovation was to take full advantage of the relaxing atmosphere offered by the outdoor surrounds. To this end, designer Royston Wilson masterfully crafted an intoxicating space that drinks in the views and celebrates them.

The original layout was awkward at best and hampered by the petite dimensions of the space. With this in mind, careful consideration was given to the placement of fittings in the redesign and a floor-to-ceiling glass window was installed to open the area and invite the outside in. In keeping with Japanese traditions, a Kaldewei Centro Duo bath was positioned at a right angle to the courtyard to allow an optimum outlook. To continue this theme, the walk-in shower was placed on the opposite side of the tub and arranged to benefit from the same view.

To maintain the illusion of ample space, the bathroom was kept open plan and airy. A slim, custom-made vanity unit doubles as the shower partition and the toilet suite is cleverly concealed by a two-way door system. Porcelain tiles in three earthy shades cover the walls and floor; this natural palette of colours complements the outdoor setting and further enhances the bond between the bathroom and the courtyard.

Bubbles Bathrooms has simultaneously captured the charm and elegance of Asian culture in this Western-style home and created an indoor/outdoor fusion-inspired design. The result is a sanctuary indeed.



THREE CERAMIC BRICKS FLOAT FROM HIGH TO LOW ALONG THE BATH-TUB WALL AND LEAD THE EYE TO THE AMAZING VIEW.

## Oriental wonderland

Bubbles Bathrooms introduces East to West and inside to out