

**PROJECT  
DETAILS**

**WHO LIVES HERE?**

Emma and Nick Roberts and their two children, Henry, five and Clara, two.

**THE PROJECT**

This en suite is part of a renovation, turning seven studios into one family home.

**TOTAL COST**

**£15,000**

(excluding labour and materials)

**BATHROOM PROJECT**

**Porcelain  
beauty**

**EMMA AND NICK ROBERTS' STRIKING  
TILES OFFER THE GLAMOUR OF  
MARBLE WITHOUT THE FUSS**

**OBSCURED  
WINDOW**  
Frosting the lower  
pane creates privacy  
while still allowing  
light into the room



**'It made sense to position the bath beneath the beautiful large window, which has been dressed with a simple bamboo blind'**

Vetralla 1650 bath tub in Standard Matt, £2,697.25, Victoria + Albert. MPRO floor standing bath tap in brushed stainless steel, £1,095, Crosswater. White fine bamboo blind, from €148.75, Color & Co



**BEFORE**

'The niches ensured that we didn't have shelves encroaching on the space and are striking features in themselves'

Porcelain Lyngby flowerpot, £39, Skandium. Skandinavisk Koto scented candle, £35, John Lewis & Partners

**SHELF IN WALL**  
A built-in niche makes a great display spot



## THE PROBLEM

'We wanted to create a Jack-and-Jill arrangement with two doors'

## THE SOLUTION

'When we embarked on converting seven studio flats into a family home, we wanted both the master bedroom and the guest bedroom to have access to the en suite, as when Nick has a very early start, he uses the guest bedroom.'

Having two doors throws up its layout challenges but rather than tuck the shower into a corner, our interior designer, Sidika Owen (studiosidika.com), suggested centring it in the middle of the room. It was a bold move but it meant that we could have a really spacious, walk-through

design which, thanks to a frameless screen, sits lightly in the space. We love the Arabescato marble but we wanted the finish to be more practical, so Sidika suggested a digitally printed porcelain tile. We use this room for the children's bath time, so a non-slip option was crucial for the floor.'



**'The shower showcases the beauty of the tiles and we love the unexpected juxtaposition of the marble pattern with the reeded white border'**

41zero42 Pulp collection tiles in Polished, £61.82sq m; and Raw, £55.50sq m; Parallel reeded White tiles, from £61.82sq m, all Parkside

## FOCUS ON CREATING A WALK-THROUGH SHOWER

*Important points to consider when opting for this sleek, contemporary approach*

- A walk-through shower adds a luxurious, spa-like feel to a bathroom. The space doesn't have to be huge, but you will need to ensure that you can create a layout that allows easy access from either side.
- A sleek, frameless option will help make the space feel larger, drawing the focus to the perimeter of the space. You might also consider making a statement with the shower surround, such as a metal frame style to introduce a subtle industrial aesthetic.
- The shower area will need to be fully waterproofed using a wet room kit, which can be trimmed down to suit the size of the area. The shower featured here uses a kit that creates a one-way slope towards a slim rectangular drain close to the wall.
- Consider using honed tiles on the floor to avoid it becoming too slippery.

**'Sidika designed the door to the guest bedroom as a pocket door, which proved to be a brilliant space saver'**

Towel rail, from £1,039.20, Vogue, Egyptian cotton towels, from £8; John Lewis & Partners. Walls in Salt I pure flat emulsion, £56.50 for 2.5ltr, Paint & Paper Library





**ABOVE** The brushed stainless steel finish adds to the luxurious vibe in Emma and Nick's en suite

MPRO two outlet, two handle thermostatic bath valve and handset, £808, Crosswater

**RIGHT** 'The frameless glass shower screen ensures uninterrupted sightlines, adding to the feeling of space'

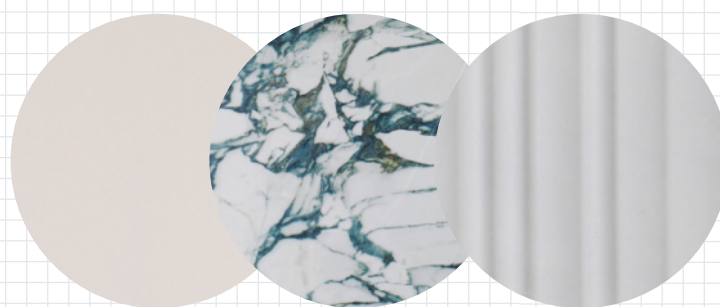
Oslo wet room panel by Majestic Showers, £2,160, Alternative Bathrooms. MPRO fixed head, £329, Crosswater



“Moving the shower into the centre of the room was a complete game-changer, giving us a fabulous walk-through design that makes a focus of the beautiful tiles”

EMMA ROBERTS, HOMEOWNER

### KEY SURFACES



**LEFT TO RIGHT Walls** Salt I pure flat emulsion, £56.50 for 2.5ltr, Paint & Paper Library **Floor and shower tiles** 41zero42 Pulp collection tiles, from £55.50sq m, Parkside **Reeded tiles** Parallel reeded White tiles, from £61.83sq m, Parkside

## BATHROOM SOURCEBOOK

Taps and shower mixer and shower head, Crosswater ([crosswater.co.uk](http://crosswater.co.uk)). Wet room panel, Alternative Bathrooms ([alternativebathrooms.com](http://alternativebathrooms.com)). Towel rail, Vogue ([vogueuk.com](http://vogueuk.com)). Bath, Victoria + Albert ([vandabaths.com](http://vandabaths.com))