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Enhancing Pedestals Supplemental storage for pedestal sinks

OPEN FLOOR SPACE HELPS A ROOM appear larger. As important as this is in all rooms, it is most enticing in small bathrooms.



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Compared with typical sink/cabinet combinations, pedestal sinks help bathrooms appear more open and spacious, and pedestals are available in a range of designs to fit any style. Attractive as they are, when it comes to everyday

usefulness, pedestal sinks have some shortcomings.

The biggest challenge pedestals pose is that they provide very limited counter space — some pedestal fixtures barely have enough room to accommodate a bar of soap. However, when complemented with a small shelf, niche, or additional counter space, pedestals can function quite well.

The supplemental storage details shown here help keep the pedestal's bygone era charm without sacrificing the convenient counter space that many of today's clients expect.



Recession Proof
Thickening the entire wall behind the sink provides space for a recessed niche and shelf. Consider using angled walls to focus attention on the pedestal sink.



Top Shelf
Thickening and then capping a half-wall behind a pedestal sink creates a shelf that doubles as counter space.

Flanking Storage
A set of matching cabinets adds balance and provides valuable storage space around an elegant pedestal.



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