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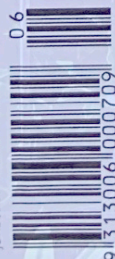
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### HOW TO

## MODERN COUNTRY

**KEY PIECES** Victoria+Albert 'York' bath with custom Dulux Strong Olive finish, from \$6150, Luxe By Design; [luxebydesign.com.au](http://luxebydesign.com.au). Custom American oak vanity with marble top, from \$7500, Gravina; [gravinacabinetsandinteriors.com](http://gravinacabinetsandinteriors.com). Manual Naveta Miel terracotta tiles, \$49/m<sup>2</sup>, Earp Bros; [earp.com.au](http://earp.com.au). Linen curtains, \$1490, Lynch's Window Fashions; [lwfaustralia.com.au](http://lwfaustralia.com.au).

"Texture is the key to creating warmth in a bathroom; don't be afraid to use multiple layers to achieve the look you're after. Colour might be the quickest route to creating an appealingly warm and welcoming bathroom, but remember texture will get you there, too."

*Kate Walker*

## IN THE DETAILS

Playing with layering paved the way to a farmhouse-style ensuite.

### *The brief*

Interior designer Kate Walker sought a "modern farmhouse feel" for the ensuite of her home on Victoria's Mornington Peninsula. "I wanted a balance of masculine and feminine elements, and to make the most of the room's indoor-outdoor connection," she says.

### *The design*

Walker expanded the existing ensuite's floor area by sacrificing the walk-in wardrobe, plus she added a beautiful new window. "Being a garden lover, I'm thrilled with the greenery and light it brings into the room." She looked to terracotta and handmade tiles, timber tones and splashes of

green to create the farmhouse effect she desired. Terracotta tiles ground the room with their texture and earthiness, while the Victoria+Albert bath, custom-coloured Dulux Strong Olive, lends it a little masculinity.

*Kate Walker Design, Mt Martha, Victoria; [katewalkerdesign.com.au](http://katewalkerdesign.com.au)* ▶



## H&G BATHROOM SPECIAL



*ahead of the curve*

**COLOUR CUE** Moss green brings drama and organic beauty to the bathroom. Interior designer Kate Walker used this tone in the powder room of her Mornington Peninsula home (left, turn to page 162 to see another bathroom in this house). "A powder room can carry a punchy colour," she says. "I chose Dulux Strong Olive for this space; I love its intensity." [katewalkerdesign.com.au](http://katewalkerdesign.com.au)

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**LOVE TERRAZZO? GET THE LOOK WITH (FROM TOP) FUSION TERRAZZO-PORCELAIN TILE, \$153/M<sup>2</sup>, SKHEME; MULTI CIRCLE CEMENT TERRAZZO TILE, \$160/M<sup>2</sup>, EARP BROS; FROZEN TERRA RECONSTITUTED-STONE SURFACE, \$550/M<sup>2</sup>, CAESARSTONE.**

**DREAM BUY** If you love marble, take a moment to appreciate the glorious **Claybrook Touch pedestal basin** (left). Hand-sculpted in Italy, it's available in Australia through Rogerseller for \$20,000. [rogerseller.com.au](http://rogerseller.com.au)



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