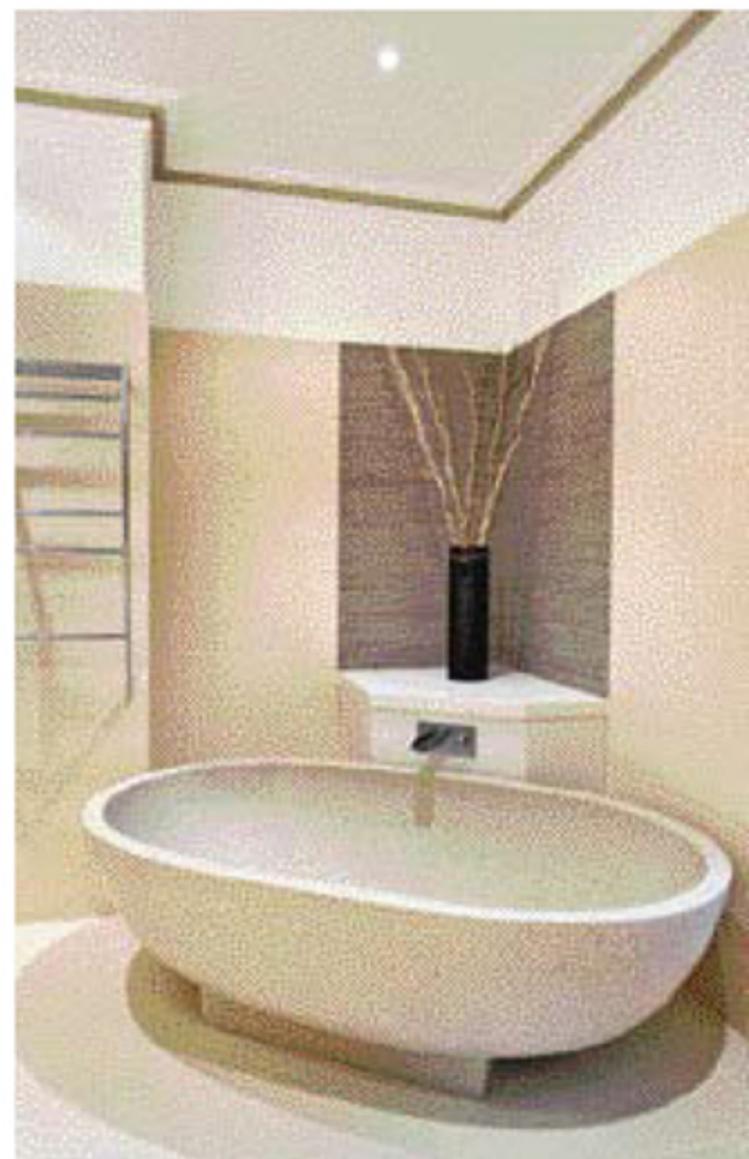


# Holiday at home

*It's not always feasible to get away from daily routine, but Bubbles Bathrooms has the next best thing*



**When the owners** of this stunning room returned from a trip to Europe they were in awe at all they had seen and done, but while the main attractions had wowed them, it was the lavish bathroom in their hotel suite that won them over. It turned out to be a lucky turn of events, as it would have been impossible for the pair to replicate the Eiffel Tower or Coliseum in their home.

Bubbles Bathrooms designer Paul Hutchison understood the splendid atmosphere they wished to re-create and was inspired to craft a space that boasted innate luxury. With the expertise of Bubbles Bathrooms' craftsmen, the result is a modestly modern room with an impressive

freestanding composite stone bath serving as the main focal point. The custom-made tub is matched by twin basins that rest on the 60mm CaesarStone benchtop. The benchtop completes the well-appointed vanity — finished in Dulux Candlebark — that boasts spacious drawers and open towel storage. The icing on the cake came in the form of the frameless 10mm Starfire glass shower with Grohe Freehand showerhead, an exact match to the one they enjoyed when overseas.

Such superb additions are complemented by the warm tones generated from the limestone almond gris de vaus tiles used on the walls and floor, which have been tastefully supplemented

**THE FLOOR OF THE BATHROOM WAS STRENGTHENED TO COPE WITH THE EXTRA WEIGHT OF THE COMPOSITE STONE BATH.**

with horizontal grained Avenue Ash tiles placed cleverly to create balance and impact. The overall effect of the harmonising finishes and features of the bathroom is an inviting ambience and an aura of simple sophistication.

This Bubbles Bathrooms creation is a place to retreat, relax and unwind, making it a perfect everyday getaway - it's hardly surprising then that it was also the 2008 winner of HIA Victorian Renovated Bathroom Project over \$30,000.

## Fact file

The bathroom was designed by Paul Hutchison and built by **BUBBLES BATHROOMS** Melbourne, Victoria **Phone** (03) 9796 3000 **Email** ask@bubblesbathrooms.com.au **Website** www.bubblesbathrooms.com.au **Vanity** CaesarStone with mitred edges, paint in Dulux **Bath and basins** Custom-made composite stone **Shower** frameless Starfire glass shower screen **Toilet** Paco Jaanson Flo wall-faced pan **Taps** Paco Jaanson wall mixer **Tiles** Limestone gris de vaus **Feature tiling** Avenue Ash **Cost**, approximately for fittings and fixtures, design, manufacture, installation, plumbing and electrical, \$50,000