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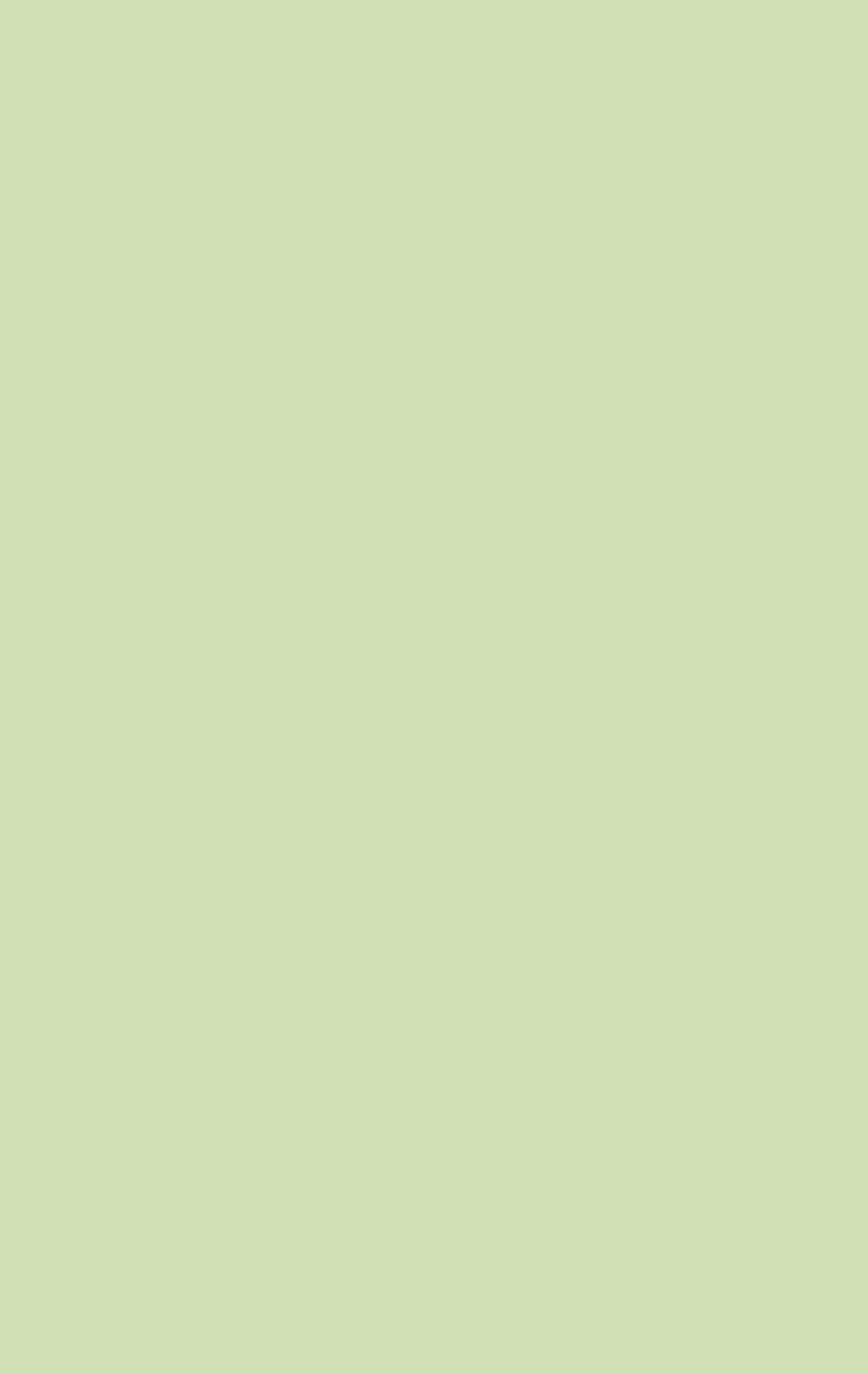


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Welcome to The KOHLER Store

Since 1873, Kohler Co. has been at the forefront of creating exceptional bathroom products. Now The KOHLER Store offers you a new and comprehensive resource for experiencing the quality, heritage and craftsmanship of one of America's most innovative brands.

You will have access to top designers and the technical expertise of our KOHLER Store project consultants who will offer you knowledgeable assistance in planning your new bathroom. We encourage you to express yourself so that your needs are addressed and your environment reflects your personal style.

Whether you're updating existing products or you desire to create an inspiring new retreat, our singular goal is to help you simplify your building or remodeling project. We invite you to experience gracious living as we help you build a better nest. Welcome home.



People come first.
You can't design until
you know who the
space is for.

Ray Booth, Designer
McAlpine Booth & Ferrier

How do I begin?

Sometimes the easiest way to get started is to simply list what you don't like about your current bathroom. Answering some of the following questions will help you get started in identifying your needs for remodeling:

	Yes	No
Does your bathroom have an outdated color scheme?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does it reflect your aesthetic taste in personal style?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does it make the most of the existing space?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is your existing bath too small?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is the layout user-friendly?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is it conveniently located and accessible for all users?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Who will be using the space?

A quick start to your planning process is to think about who will be using the space.

- A master bath suite is often a private retreat from the rest of the household. It should have space to include extra relaxation and luxury features, such as an oversized chair for reading or resting.
- A family bath comfortably accommodates two people at once. "Zoning" your fixtures – isolating the toilet from the bath and lavatories – will help add privacy and reduce congestion.
- A powder room, guest bath or half bath typically requires less space than a full bath. With this in mind, however, be sure that you don't sacrifice comfort and adequate storage for space.
- Children's baths usually include more safety features and lower heights, but also need to be adaptable for their growing needs.
- Universal design – if you have elderly relatives living with you or family members with disabilities, be sure to take functional or safety needs into account.
- Do the users have a preference for showering vs. bathing? If remodeling, do your present fixtures reflect those preferences?



Dream a little dream

Inspiration is all around us. It can be found in everyday environments. Finding places and things that inspire you can help simplify your remodeling project and create a better bathroom. Often, the best examples for a remodel are other bathrooms. Unique products, materials and colors can also inspire, such as the sōk® overflowing bath, translucent glass tiles or KOHLER Vapour™ colors.

Additionally, The KOHLER Store features its Kohler Designer Series™, which is a great place to look for ideas from nationally recognized designers. This program allows you access to their creative genius through portfolios that invite exploration. Each of the portfolios includes a watercolor rendering of a particular KOHLER® Suite environment, a floor plan, material samples, sourcing information and biographies of each designer. Once you've experienced their interpretations of what's possible in the bathroom, our project consultants can help you realize your dream of designing the perfect bathroom.



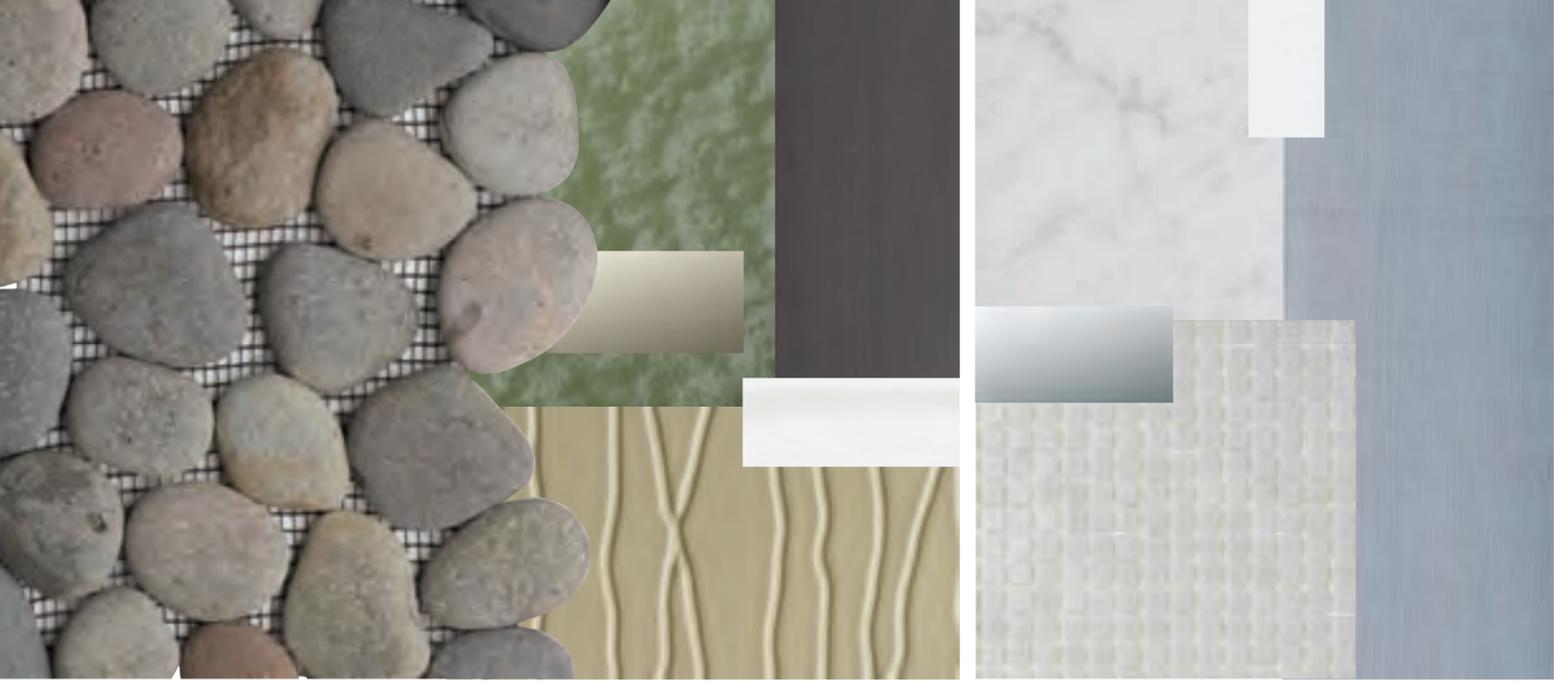
If you aren't sure what your style is, think about your favorite clothes. Or the shoes you wear most. We're all wearing our style every day.

Benjamin Noriega-Ortiz
Designer

What are the possibilities?

Where functionality is a constant, the possibilities for your new bathroom are virtually endless. It all depends on your individual vision for your new space, both aesthetically and experientially. Perhaps you may consider:

- Steam shower
- His and her vanities
- Deep soaking bath
- Personalized shower system
- Built-in linen storage
- Mini-entertainment centers with TV and audio
- Warm, incandescent lighting
- Combining different materials
- Heated floors



Color is simple. If you love a color, use it on your largest surface. Color puts a smile on the face of a room.

Christopher Coleman
Designer

Color is an extension of your style

Color adds dimension, warmth and character to your home. Whether your preferred palette is soft, stimulating, rich or harmonizing, choose colors that reflect your individual style. In order to achieve your desired results, however, it is important to consider the amount of natural light that enters your environment, as well as its architecture and scale. Although the best color schemes usually come from careful selection and a dash of bravado, a KOHLER Store consultant can help you choose the right colors for your particular needs.

Along with color, creating visual interest in your bathroom involves incorporating a wide variety of materials, finishes and textures. When you add these elements to your space, the possibilities for transforming your bathroom into a rich, sensory experience are as limitless as your imagination.

How do I find the right help?

Looking for a designer who understands your personal aesthetic sensibility, but also knows the importance of working within your particular budget? A professional bathroom designer is as close as The KOHLER Store. Our NKBA-trained associates have collectively consulted on over 1,000 bathroom and kitchen projects.

Whether your project is a quick powder room face-lift or a major home spa addition, The KOHLER Store is your complete resource, offering a menu of design assistance packages to help transform your inspiration into the ultimate bathroom.

Additionally, we'll assist you with guidelines for clearances, space allocations and safety. Here's a snapshot of some of the most important planning guidelines to keep in mind.

Planning Guidelines

Door Entry Typically there should be a minimum of 32" opening space in a doorway that is 2'10" wide; however, if your space does not allow for this size door, a 2' minimum door width is allowable.

Clear Space There should be at least 30" of clear floor space between the edge of a fixture and any opposite fixture or wall. (Check with your general contractor for local code requirements.*)

Bath/Shower Controls The NKBA recommends that shower controls should be located 38" - 40" above the floor and the bath controls should be located 33" above the floor. Both sets of controls should be accessible from both inside and outside the bath or shower.

Bath/Shower Control Valves Pressure-balancing, thermostatic mixing, or combination valves are also recommended.

Shower Seat For comfort and safety, a shower seat should be 17" - 19" above the shower floor and at least 15" deep.

Bath/Shower Surround If you decide to put a shower in your new bathroom, waterproof material should cover the walls surrounding the shower and at least 3" above the showerhead. If you are considering a steam shower, waterproof materials are necessary throughout.

Grab Bars These can be a good idea for easy maneuvering in and out of the shower area. To hang the grab bars appropriately, you will need to reinforce the walls at the time of construction. They should be able to support up to 300 pounds. The grab bars should be placed 33" - 36" above the floor, and must be 1" in diameter and 1" away from the wall. A grab bar or handrail is necessary if steps are installed outside the bath.

Electrical Receptacles GFCI receptacles should be located at all electrical appliance points. (Check with your general contractor for local code requirements.*) Switches should not be installed within wet locations (i.e., bath or shower) unless they are a part of the bath and shower assembly.

Ventilation If your building structure allows for it, a mechanical exhaust system should be installed. (Check with your general contractor for local code requirements.*)

*In all renovation and remodeling projects, Kohler Co. recommends that you consult your general contractor, plumber or electrician for specific information pertaining to local installation and building codes.

Two drawings – before and after

One important step in working with a designer is a "before" drawing – your own sketch of your current bathroom. This drawing will establish the size and shape of your current bathroom and the basic arrangement of the fixtures.

If you feel more comfortable having a KOHLER Store project consultant visit your home to measure, we can work with you to make the necessary arrangements. If you've taken photos of your bathroom, these also can be beneficial.

The second drawing will be the designer's plan for your new space. A professional drawing of your new bathroom is important because it will be helpful to our project consultants in considering the proper plumbing fixtures for your individual needs.

Measuring your space

You can choose to sketch your own floor plan, but you might prefer to have a project consultant from The KOHLER Store visit your home to assist you. Our associates will accurately record the location of all plumbing, electrical and heating/cooling vents, as well as take notes on existing flooring, tile treatments and finishes. Here's what needs to be determined:

Room Dimensions

- Length and width
- Location of doors, windows and closets

Ceiling Height

- Are there ceiling soffits or other angled walls?
- Ceiling height
- Soffit conditions

Countertops/Vanities/Cabinets

- Length, width and surface depths
- Number of sinks
- Is the medicine cabinet surface-mounted or recessed?

Toilet

- Measure from back wall to center of bolts on side of toilet (commonly 12", but can be 10" or 14")
- Location

Bath/Whirlpool

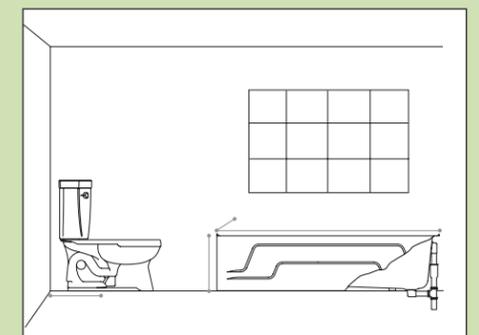
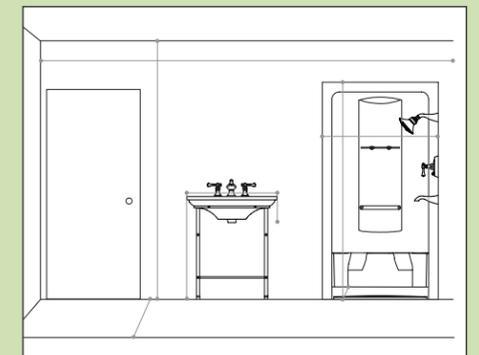
- Location of drain/bath faucet (right or left)
- Length, width and depth

Shower

- Location of the showerhead/controls/faucet trim
- Length, width and depth

Other measurements and considerations

- Capacity of water heater (on label)



How do I choose fixtures, faucets and tile?

If you haven't already been inspired by specific products, it's time to explore The KOHLER Store to make your selections.

Make the most of your experience by recording your favorites – and perhaps second choices – on the checklist. This will help you and your project consultant design a customized portfolio that's perfect for your project.

How much will I spend and how much value will my bathroom add to my home?

Experts suggest investing about 3% of your home's value on a "mid-range" powder room remodel, and up to 4% on an "upscale" master bathroom. Whatever you spend, professional bathroom remodels really do add value to your home. They typically offer one of the best paybacks of any home improvement if you choose to sell your home in the future.

According to *REALTOR* and *Remodeling* magazines, as well as a national survey conducted by the National Association of Realtors of 20,000 appraisers, sales agents and brokers, bathroom remodels – whether "mid-range" or "upscale" – typically recoup almost all of their costs on the sale of your home after just one year. And returns can soar well beyond the 100% mark if you live in a large metropolitan area where property values appear to be rising annually.

Suites	<input type="checkbox"/> Purist® <input type="checkbox"/> Tellieur®	<input type="checkbox"/> Kathryn® <input type="checkbox"/> Bancroft™	<input type="checkbox"/> Memoirs®
Bathing	Dimensions <input type="checkbox"/> 5' <input type="checkbox"/> 5'5" <input type="checkbox"/> 6'	Materials <input type="checkbox"/> KOHLER® Cast Iron <input type="checkbox"/> Acrylic	Water Experience <input type="checkbox"/> Chromatherapy <input type="checkbox"/> Effervescence <input type="checkbox"/> BubbleMassage™ <input type="checkbox"/> Backjets <input type="checkbox"/> Neckjets
Showering	Showerhead <input type="checkbox"/> Rain shower <input type="checkbox"/> Invigorating <input type="checkbox"/> Ceiling tiles	Customization Options <input type="checkbox"/> Handshower <input type="checkbox"/> Steam <input type="checkbox"/> Bodyjets _____	<input type="checkbox"/> WaterTile™ <input type="checkbox"/> Handshower <input type="checkbox"/> Bodysprays
Lavatories	Type <input type="checkbox"/> Pedestal <input type="checkbox"/> Console <input type="checkbox"/> Vessels <input type="checkbox"/> Self-rimming <input type="checkbox"/> Undermount	Material <input type="checkbox"/> KOHLER Cast Iron <input type="checkbox"/> Vitreous china <input type="checkbox"/> Stainless steel <input type="checkbox"/> Glass <input type="checkbox"/> Marble	
Faucets	Finish <input type="checkbox"/> Polished Chrome <input type="checkbox"/> Brushed Chrome <input type="checkbox"/> Vibrant® Polished Nickel <input type="checkbox"/> Vibrant Brushed Nickel <input type="checkbox"/> Vibrant French Gold <input type="checkbox"/> Vibrant Polished Brass <input type="checkbox"/> Vibrant Brushed Bronze <input type="checkbox"/> Vibrant Hammered Nickel <input type="checkbox"/> Vibrant Brazen Bronze	Installation <input type="checkbox"/> Wall-mount <input type="checkbox"/> Deck-mount <input type="checkbox"/> Single-control <input type="checkbox"/> 4" faucet drilling <input type="checkbox"/> 8" faucet drilling	Handle <input type="checkbox"/> Cross <input type="checkbox"/> Lever
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Tile	Type <input type="checkbox"/> _____	Material <input type="checkbox"/> _____	Color/Finish <input type="checkbox"/> _____
Lighting/Accessories	Type <input type="checkbox"/> _____	Material <input type="checkbox"/> _____	Color/Finish <input type="checkbox"/> _____



How do I find the right contractor?

A remodel is more than a drawing and a budget, of course. An experienced designer can offer you important tips regarding how to create your new bathroom in a tactical way – scheduling, budgeting and project management – so that plumbers, electricians, carpenters, tile installers, inspectors and other professionals will be able to work practically and economically.

Your KOHLER Store project consultant will be happy to offer you a list of installers who can point you in the right direction. It's important that you feel comfortable working with your contractor so that you can follow a shared vision for your project. Ask the following questions to confirm that the contractor is qualified and experienced:

How many years have you been in the business?

Are you licensed, bonded and insured?

Have you completed similar jobs?

Can you offer references and clients I can speak to?

Will you acquire the appropriate permits and manage the project?

Who will be the primary contact throughout the project?

Is there a written contract?

How long will the project take?

Do you provide a warranty on the installation and related service agreements?

How do I determine a budget for my project?

Project consultants from The KOHLER Store, working with your designer or architect, can help you establish a rough cost estimate for your remodel. By prioritizing what's most important, you will help your designer in meeting your budget while addressing your needs.

Item	Budget	Material Costs	Labor Costs
Fixtures			
Tile			
Plumbing			
Electrical			
HVAC			
Millwork			
Mirror/Glass			
Construction Materials			

Project meeting checklist

Once you have determined your installer, keep tabs on the project by understanding the following:

Material list and specifications

- When will everything be ready and available?
- What arrangements have been made for delayed items?
- Where will existing moldings, counters, doors, trim or floors be stored if being reused?
- Where will products, tools, materials, appliances be staged during construction?

Work orders

- Have all trades been notified of the timeline and build-out schedule?
- Who is responsible for getting special materials to the job site?
- Who is the responsible person on the job site?
- Who is in charge of the trades and their schedules?
- Who should be called if there are any questions or concerns?
- Who is responsible for trash removal?
- Who is responsible for various permits?

Review

- Delivery procedures
- Parking circumstances
- Accessibility and staging of the job site
- Workers access to electric, water, bathroom, attic, basement, garage, etc.

Timing is everything

Updating your bathroom will vary based on the complexity of your project. This timeline below illustrates the sequence of a full remodel:



Once you have finalized the project, use the chart below to help record the progress of your project.



Installation tasks, responsibility and time schedule worksheet

To help manage your time and the project, keep a weekly journal of the conversations with contractors and personal notes.

Tasks, jobs and assignments that must be completed to get the project installed	Person/company responsible to complete the tasks, jobs or assignments	Estimated amount of time allotted to this task, job or assignment in hours

Project management and installation flow

Once construction has begun, coordinate a weekly schedule by recording the number of hours each trade will be working on your project. Photocopy this template to use as a weekly guide.

Week of _____ Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Plumber
Topic Discussed
To Do
Electrician
Topic Discussed
To Do
Carpenter
Topic Discussed
To Do
Painter
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