

### **ABSTRACT**

Upgrading a rental bathroom can be challenging due to restrictions on permanent changes. This guide explores renter-friendly solutions that improve functionality and style without violating lease agreements. From clever storage options to removable décor, you'll find creative ideas to transform your space affordably and legally.

### INTRODUCTION

Rental bathrooms often lack personality, but that doesn't mean you have to settle for a dull space. With the right upgrades, you can enhance both aesthetics and usability—without risking your bond. This guide covers practical, temporary, and cost-effective ways to elevate your bathroom and make it feel like home.

# I. Before and After: Budget-Friendly Small Bathroom Remodel Ideas

Updating a small bathroom can be a lot of work. But these budget-friendly small bathroom remodels prove you don't have to spend a fortune or have a lot of space to make significant changes. See how these petite baths were completely transformed while keeping costs and style in mind.

### Before: Bare Bones and Limited Space

This space's layout and vintage fixtures didn't scare off the homeowner from a small bathroom remodel. Instead, she was inspired to work with what was already there. With a limited budget, she kept the layout of the existing plumbing and the pink bathtub, too.

### After: Small Changes, Big Impact

The original pink cast-iron bathtub was the anchor in designing this small bathroom remodel. Beige grout was used for the floor and wall tiles to better match the rosy bathtub. A wood vanity (with lots of storage!) was installed and given a custom look with the inexpensive addition of arched metal legs and hardware.



### Before: Outdated Wallpaper and Color Palette

This original small bathroom was covered in outdated wallpaper and a dull shade of yellow. The homeowner only used paint and limewash to completely change the walls of this space—no tile installation necessary. Installing tile can rack up a big bill when renovating, so finding ways to avoid it can save you thousands on your small bathroom remodel.

### After: Bright and Airy Bathroom

The wall tiles were given new life with a few coats of white paint, and the old wallpaper was replaced with limewash. The salvaged vanity was painted black and a new faucet and hardware were added for a money-saving update. A fresh countertop was installed with a marble remnant, and a smaller mirror and sconces were hung to fit the size of the space better.

### Before: Old-Fashioned Bathroom

Filled with dated fixtures and surfaces, this space badly needed an upgrade. The budget small bathroom remodel replaced the old pipes, flooring, tub, and vanity to make it more functional for a young family. The overall layout and an octagon-shaped window were the only elements left unchanged.

### After: Modern Black-and-White Bath

Boldly patterned cement tiles set the tone for this small bathroom design. The tile's high-contrast color scheme is repeated on matte black fixtures and stretches of white subway tile with black grout lines. An inexpensive vanity replaced the old one while keeping costs low. Wood drawer fronts add texture and dimension to the contemporary space.

### Before: Old, Impractical Bathtub

The original 1948 pink tub instantly dated this bathroom. And for a family that preferred showers over baths, the 5x8-foot space didn't keep up with their morning routine. This small bathroom remodel added a more practical shower and updated style.



### After: Stylish Small Bathroom Makeover

A subway-tiled walk-in shower replaces the decades-old tub to give this remodeled bathroom a fresh look. To stay within budget, the homeowners kept the original vanity and updated it with paint and new hardware. Instead of replacing the old floor tile, they covered it with inexpensive peel-and-stick tiles for a quick, low-cost update.

### Before: Stuck in a Timewarp

Filled with charms and challenges, this small bathroom in a 1920s bungalow needed a few spruce-ups to unlock its full potential. A leaky water-guzzling toilet, a stained pedestal sink, and dated fixtures topped the must-fix list. This small bathroom remodel was accomplished on a \$1,500 budget (excluding labor) and some DIY sweat equity.

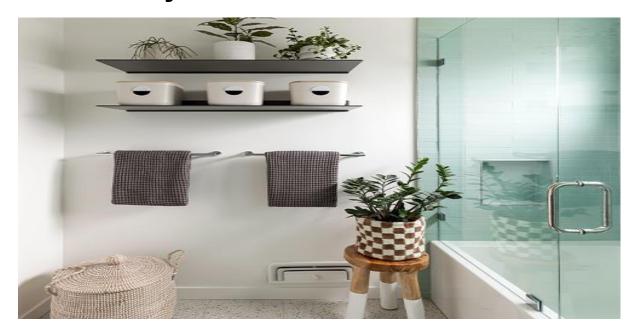
### After: Classic Small Bathroom Idea

This small bathroom remodel preserved and enhanced classic details while updating the functionality of the space. The blue floor tiles inspired the addition of sophisticated navy-and-gray damask-print wallpaper, which was a wallpaper installation hung by the homeowners themselves. New beaded-board wainscoting painted bright white restored some of the room's architectural detail and proved more cost-effective than taking the wallpaper to the floor.

## After: Style Small Accents

Storage needs are often minimal in a small powder room. Incorporating a small cabinet provides a place to tuck away extra rolls of toilet paper and hand towels. Plus, there's a place on top to display decorative accents.

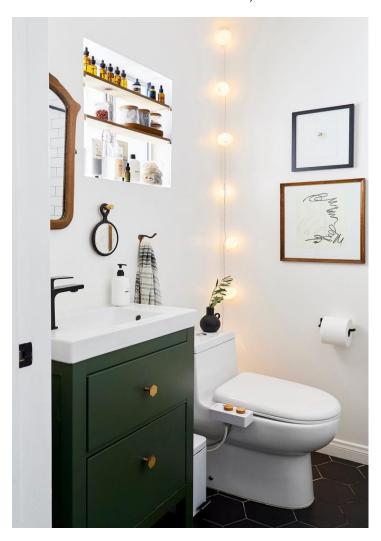
# II. Small Bathroom Storage Ideas That Are Actually Clever



From your morning shower to your nightly skincare regimen, the bathroom's where we spend a lot of our time. And let's face it: There's nothing worse than a cluttered bathroom that turns your daily routine into a challenge. That's why it's so important to find the right solutions to **stay organized** and maximize even the tiniest of spaces. Here, we've rounded up **small bathroom storage ideas** — whether you're a renter living in a compact apartment or a homeowner tackling a half bathroom.

As always, **start by decluttering** any products or tools that you don't need, then assign every item a home. If you've got the floor space, bring in cabinets, organizers or a rolling bar cart for extra storage. Make the most of wall space by hanging **bathroom shelves** near the sink, **over the toilet** or even in a window. You

can conceal toiletries in wicker baskets or purchase a sink skirt to hide folded towels and cleaning products. When all's said and done, don't forget to weave in some **beautiful bathroom decor**, too.



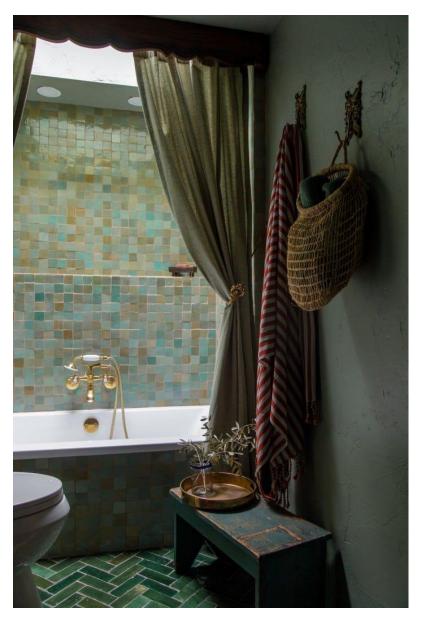
### Hang Shelves in the Window

Create space for everyday essentials — think hair products and toiletries — by mounting shelves in the window. Just keep in mind, certain skincare (like vitamin C serum) shouldn't be stored in bright light.



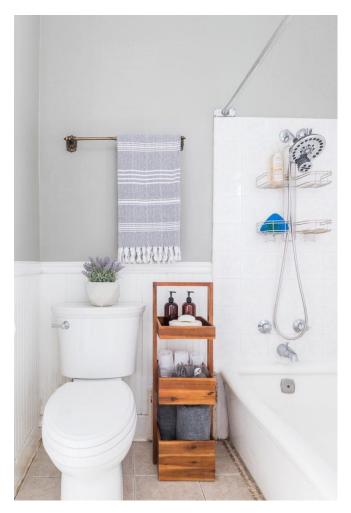
# Rely on Decorative Bins

Fill pretty bins with frequently used items, like cleaning products, washcloths or skincare. Take note from Karen Nepacena from **Destination Eichler** and set them on floating shelves, so everything you need is within reach.



# Bring in a Small Bench

If you've got a few inches of spare floor space, a wooden bench can serve as an additional surface for storing towels and decor. For families with small children, it'll be a functional step stool to reach the sink, too.



Make Space for a Small Organizer

A small space (maybe 18 inches) between the toilet and shower is all you need to squeeze in a three-tier storage caddy. Fit in towels and spare shower essentials.



# Categorize the Bathroom Closet

Maximize closet space by categorizing, labeling and organizing everything you own. Use large baskets for extra linens, clear bins for toiletries and color-coordinated hampers to make laundry day a breeze.



# Mount Acrylic Shelving

Here, **Outline Interiors** adds functional storage in an awkward alcove by hanging acrylic shelves. Clear shelves (glass or acrylic) are great for small spaces, since they look clean, light and nearly invisible.



# Stow Away Essentials in Wicker Bins

Not only do wicker bins add texture and warmth to any interior (as **Bethany Adams Interiors** demonstrates here), but they can easily hide clutter. Imagine hot tools, spare toilet paper rolls and personal care items you'd like accessible but not visible.



# **Display Skincare on Shelves**

Fancy skincare bottles and jars can easily double as decor when displayed on sleek shelving. Elevate the look by hanging a picture light above, just as designer **Anastasia Casey** does here.



# **Decorate With a Small Stool**

Limited floor space? No problem! A tiny stool is the perfect way to add charm and decor to an unused corner of the bathroom. Just take it from Karen Nepacena from **Destination Eichler** and top the surface with a faux plant.



### Construct a Secret Cabinet

This playful patterned room, designed by **Outline Interiors**, has a secret medicine cabinet to contain counter clutter. When it's closed, guests will have no idea it's there!

# III. The Best Flooring for Bathrooms to Upgrade Your Space

### Removing Grease Stains From Clothes

Choosing the best flooring for a bathroom involves balancing performance, durability, appearance, cost, and ease of installation. In many parts of the home, choosing flooring mainly involves appearance. However, performance is the most crucial aspect of bathrooms because it determines how well they'll withstand water and moisture exposure.

Porcelain and ceramic tiles, stained concrete, vinyl, cork, and bamboo are popular bathroom flooring options. Each has advantages and disadvantages, so you must consider what works best for your home.



Here are some popular bathroom flooring options and the pros and cons of each to help you choose what's best for your bathroom renovation.

### Porcelain or Ceramic Flooring Tiles

Porcelain tile is a popular choice for bathroom flooring, as it's waterproof, stylish, and cost-effective. It can achieve a rich, textured, solid feeling like stone. Like vinyl, porcelain tile is waterproof and relatively inexpensive. Like wood flooring, tile can elevate the bathroom's appearance. Similar to stone, tile is cold. However, you can lay radiant or heated tile under it.

- Durability: Porcelain is denser than ceramic tile, which gives it more
  durability and longevity. However, the higher density of porcelain tile makes it
  more brittle, leaving it vulnerable to cracking upon impact. Plus, porcelain is
  less DIY-friendly than ceramic tile, as it's much harder to cut and install
  cleanly.
- **Aesthetics:** There are so many different types of ceramic tiles, so you can create the exact floor you want. You can even find ceramic tile that looks like wood or stone. With tinted grout, you can be even more creative.
- **Sizes and installation:** Individual tile comes in various sizes and shapes, from square and rectangular to octagonal and hexagonal. Smaller mosaic tiles

are pre-mounted on plastic mesh sheets, so you do not have to set each tile individually.

- **Affordability:** Many stylish porcelain and ceramic tile options fit any budget. Professional tile installation isn't the cheapest option, but certain factors, like choosing larger tiles, can help cut labor costs. Installing your tile might get you a great bathroom floor at a much lower price.
- Water resistance: Best of all, properly installed tile cleans up well and resists
  even standing pools of water. Wet tile is slippery, but texturing solves that
  problem. Smaller tiles are less slippery because more grout is used, and the
  grout acts as a non-skid surface.

#### Pros

- Many style choices
- Good resale value
- · Works well with radiant heating
- Cleans up well

#### Cons

- · Can get cold
- Hard under foot; difficult to stand on for long periods
- Often sterile-looking
- Smooth texture is slippery

Tackle your next flooring project with a pro

You don't have to go at it alone! Find and compare quotes from top-rated professionals near you.

### Stained Concrete Bathroom Flooring

Concrete flooring is one of the best bathroom options for those who like a modern, industrial aesthetic. While there's always the traditional poured concrete option, dyed, stained, and textured concrete floors add more variety to concrete's look. Concrete is a good choice for bathroom floors but has some disadvantages.



- Low maintenance: Concrete is durable and easy to clean, but seal it periodically to prevent staining. It is incredibly low-maintenance and easy to clean.
- **Water resistance:** It's a waterproof material; water can't damage it. However, it can also be slippery, which is an issue when it gets wet (and *will* get wet in a bathroom).
- **Hard surface:** Concrete is a cold, hard, slippery surface that may make it problematic if you are worried about falling.

### Vinyl Bathroom Flooring

Vinyl has long been a go-to choice for bathroom flooring because it's waterproof, easy to install, and budget-friendly. Popular variations of vinyl flooring include sheet, plank, and tile.

- Water resistance: Sheet vinyl flooring is the best option if extreme amounts
  of water are expected, such as in children's bathrooms or laundry rooms.
   Because it comes in large sizes, it can be installed with as few as zero seams
  in a small bathroom.
- **Sizes:** Luxury vinyl plank flooring, an increasingly popular choice, comes in widths of around 5 inches and lengths of around 48 inches.
- **Subflooring:** If your bathroom doesn't already have a tile floor, there's a good chance that the existing subfloor is not rigid or level enough, leading to new

tile cracking. Getting the substrate to the tile standard can be expensive, but vinyl is a great bathroom flooring option that doesn't require the same substrate standards as tile.

• **Installation:** Most vinyl flooring is very much a do-it-yourself job. Because vinyl is so popular, there are thousands of style options available.

### Natural Stone Bathroom Flooring

Natural stone is a good choice for bathroom flooring, but only if you can afford it. Marble, granite, limestone, and other stone flooring options have few moisture problems. Natural stone is rugged, durable, and aesthetically pleasing. Stone flooring has excellent resale value.

- **Feel:** Stone flooring can be cold. Installing radiant heating can solve the coldness.
- **Slip resistance:** Stone can be slippery, but the slip factor can be mitigated by sandblasting or purchasing naturally textured stone, such as slate.
- **Expense:** One issue that tends to pull this bathroom flooring option down is the high cost. Natural stone flooring is by far your most expensive flooring option.



#### Pros

- Excellent resale value
- Very durable

#### Cons

Expensive

Difficult for do-it-yourselfers to install

### **Cork Bathroom Flooring**

Cork is one of the most sustainable flooring materials you can choose when designing your home. It's made from the bark of cork trees, which don't have to be cut down for the bark to be harvested.

- **Eco-friendly:** It is an extraordinarily renewable resource that eco-friendly designers and architects will turn to repeatedly.
- Water resistance: While cork is not waterproof, it is water-resistant and
  resists mold and mildew growth. A polyurethane topcoat can help protect it
  against water, though it's probably best in a bathroom that isn't prone to
  extreme humidity or standing water. Use absorbent bath mats when you have
  cork flooring in a bathroom.

### **Bamboo Bathroom Flooring**

Bamboo bathroom flooring is ideal for those who want a hardwood look but need a more durable material. That isn't to say bamboo is perfect in a bathroom—it is *not* waterproof. But it can withstand heavy use and is more moisture-resistant than hardwood.

It's best in a half bath or a bathroom used primarily by adults who are up to the task of caring for it, meaning they'll do their best to avoid wet towels and excessive splashes. Additionally, bamboo is more affordable than hardwood.

#### Pros

- Striking look in a bathroom
- Durable and can stand up to heavy use
- Moisture resistant

#### Cons

- Not waterproof; may be damaged by standing water
- · Cannot be refinished
- Must be cleaned with bamboo-friendly cleaning agents

### Flooring to Avoid in the Bathroom

Because carpeting retains moisture for so long, it tends to dry out slowly within the confined spaces of bathrooms. Carpet is a poor flooring choice for bathrooms. However, if you wish to have carpet in the bathroom, ensure the pile is low, and the material is 100 percent inorganic, such as olefin or nylon.

### Solid Hardwood

Except for its top coating, solid hardwood is not protected against moisture. Even the slightest moisture that works into the wood will eventually rot it out. It's slightly better than carpet; solid hardwood looks great and feels warm underfoot.

If you want solid hardwood in your bathroom, ensure it is perfectly installed, with zero gaps for moisture. A good installation means hiring professional installers. It also means site-finishing your hardwood flooring works better than installing pre-finished flooring. Site-finishing floods the seams between the boards with coating, effectively blocking moisture migration from the top side.



### **Alternative Flooring Options**

### **Engineered Wood Bathroom Flooring**

Due to its dimensional stability, engineered wood is better than solid wood under high moisture conditions. Its plywood base holds up well against moisture. Plus, engineered wood flooring looks authentically like wood because the top layer is real hardwood veneer.

Engineered wood is the best choice if you wish to have natural wood in a bathroom. No matter how well protected, any type of wood product is prone to damage in bathrooms.

Pros

- Best flooring choice if you want to have real wood in the bathroom
- · Dimensionally stable
- Authentic hardwood on the top

#### Cons

- Oversanding can wear through the veneer layer
- Moderate-to-high expensive

### **Laminate Bathroom Flooring**

Surprisingly, laminate flooring is a better bathroom flooring choice than solid hardwood. Laminate flooring is essentially resin-impregnated paper atop a wood chip base. The surface of a laminate plank is a photograph of oak, cherry, slate, marble, or any other wood or stone. On top is a clear coat called the wear layer. DuPont RealTouch, for instance, warrants the wear layer on its line of laminate flooring for 30 years.

Laminate can work in bathrooms if you take precautions to protect the wood base from moisture. With tight seams between the planks, moisture cannot work its way downward. Laminate is also easy to clean. But it still has that wood chip base. If it comes into contact with moisture, it will expand, and bubble and the only way to fix it is to tear it out.

Although several manufacturers have tried to produce genuinely waterproof laminate flooring, it's not there yet.

Painting bathroom tile is a task commonly undertaken by homeowners looking to update their bathroom without spending a fortune or having to put up with a load of disruption and mess involving stripping away existing tiles.

If this is a job that you fancy giving a go, make sure you get well prepared with the right tools for the job and a paint that is suitable for use on tile - you can't use just any old paint you have lying around and expect perfect results.

We asked a range of decorating experts for their advice on how to do this job for the best possible finish for your bathroom tile ideas and the longest-lasting results - and the best news is that you could totally transform your bathroom in this way in just one weekend.

# IV. How to paint bathroom tile like a pro

You will no doubt be keen that you get the very best results for all your efforts and that is where our expert's advice is going to help. They have come up with everything from the perfect products for the job to how to prepare your existing tile for the best possible outcome.



# What you'll need to paint bathroom tile

#### Tools:

- Tack cloth these Dura-Gold Superior Tack Cloths from Amazon are a great option and come in a pack of 12
- Putty knife
- 120-grit sandpaper
- Drop cloth
- Paint tray
- Paint roller
- Paint brush

# Materials:

- Trisodium phosphate
- Waterproof spackle (filler)
- Caulk

- Primer Epoxy or two-process paint
- Polyurethane sealer try Shabby Chic Multi Surface Clear Coat Sealant from Amazon
- Masking tape

### 1. Prepare your existing tile for painting

As with so many small bathroom upgrades, the key to success tends to lie in putting in the right preparation work.

"When starting a tile painting project, you'll need a very clean and porous surface for the primer and paint to adhere to," says Michael Clarke, founder of Yardwork and Pulled. "Therefore it's best to start by giving the tile a thorough clean with a mixture of warm water and trisodium phosphate. Once you've cleaned the tile with this solution, you'll want to rinse it well with clean warm water and then dry completely with a tack cloth."

### 2. Make any necessary tile repairs

You will obviously want a perfect finish when it comes to your bathroom design and this means repairing any cracked or broken tile before you begin painting.

"You'll want to repair any chipped or broken tiles with waterproof spackle (filler)," explains Michael Clarke. "Once you are finished with this step, the next step is to sand the tile with 120-grit sandpaper to remove any glazing on the tile, then rinse the area again with clean water and dry with a tack cloth."

Finally, use your masking tape to cover the areas you don't want to be painted and lay your drop cloths over your floors and sanitaryware to protect them.

### 3. Prime the tile

"Perhaps the most important step before applying any paint is to prime the surface with two applications of primer that is formulated for tile," says Michael Clarke.

"It is critical to use a primer that is suitable for tiles," confirms Jay Sander. "It will ensure the paint adheres well. Remember, for better results, you must allow the primer to dry for at least 24 hours."



"Use a high-quality primer like XIM to create a paintable surface on the tiles," suggests Brandon Walker, Construction Manager at ASAP Restoration LLC.

Something like Rust-Oleum UMA Interior/Exterior Multi-purpose Water-based Wall and Ceiling Primer from Lowes would be perfect for the job.

It tends to be easiest to use a brush to apply your primer, but you could use a roller. Take time to look into the best paint rollers for the job as you want a smooth, even finish.

### 4. Paint the tile

Now for the bit that will take your tile from shabby to super stylish right before your very eyes - applying your chosen paint. Make sure you take into account the bathroom color ideas you have used elsewhere in the space first.

"Applying thin coats and allowing each coat to dry thoroughly, will provide the best results," advises Michael Clarke.

"You can use a brush or roller for this process," says Jay Sander. "Don't forget to cover both tiles and grout. Let the paint dry properly. If required, apply a second coat.

"It is critical to remember that before applying the next coat, you should let it dry for 6-8 hours. Repeat the same process every time you require a coat."

This Pro Grade- Paint Roller Set from Amazon offers great value for money.

Being both water- and mold-resistant means this fab tile paint is suitable for use in kitchens and bathrooms. Even better, no primer is required, making the job of painting tile even quicker. Another plus point, you can also use this paint on previously painted tile. It isn't, however, suitable for floor tile.

### 5. Apply a sealant

Your final step should be to seal your tile - this will ensure a longer-lasting finish and make your hard work worthwhile. If you have opted for real stone for your bathroom floor tile ideas you will also need to ensure they are properly sealed.

"Add a layer of polyurethane sealer to protect your surface," suggests Michael Clarke. "Though this step is optional, it is important to know that it can provide extra durability," points out Jay Sanders. "It is recommended for high-traffic areas."



<u>FAQs</u>
<a href="#">What paint is best for tile?</a>

Just as when painting walls, it is crucial that you use the right products for the materials you are working with and the room you are applying them in.

"Epoxy or a two-process paint is best for tile applications as they are more durable and resistant to moisture and heat than other types of paint," says Michael Clarke.

"The primer is one of the most important steps, but after you've primed, Rostoleum makes a solid tub and tile paint," adds Brandon Walker. You could also try Galitoon Tub and Tile Refinishing Kit from Amazon.

### Is it a good idea paint bathroom tile?

While this is a quick way to get a bathroom makeover, it is not necessarily right for those after a more long-term solution and some professionals would advice against it.

"In the best case scenario it won't adhere for very long, and in the worst case it will harbor mold growth and cause rotting behind the tiles inside of the wall when water vapor can't escape," warns Brandon Walker.

### How long does it take to paint bathroom tile?

This is a great option for anyone looking for a really quick way to give their bathroom a new look - perhaps a temporary solution for homeowners who have just taken on a fixer-upper.

"The length of time it will take to paint over the tile will depend on how big of a tiled area you are trying to cover," says Brandon Walker. "Most bathrooms can be treated, prepped and primed in one day, and painted with finishing coats over the next two days depending on amount of coverage."

If your bathroom project has inspired you to give other rooms in your home a quick makeover in the same way it is well worthwhile looking into painting tiles elsewhere such as in the kitchen.

If, on the other hand, you have decided rip out your old tiles and start again, it is time to look into how to choose bathroom tiles that will suit your particular space and look great for many years to come.

# V. Bathroom Bond Cleaning: Tips For Perfect Results

Moving out of a rental property means leaving behind every space in spick-and-span condition. Among the various rooms in the property, bathrooms receive a lot of scrutiny during inspection. The reason for this, bathrooms can be breeding ground for germs and bacteria and have the potential to cause the property environment to deteriorate, affecting its future renting prospects.

Therefore, property inspectors are very strict while inspecting the bathroom. Even a minute stain or leftover grime can lead to deductions from your bond deposit, making it essential to leave behind a spotless bathroom.



It sounds quite challenging to achieve this high standard of cleanliness in the bathroom, but don't worry. We have your back! In this article, some practical tips on cleaning will be given to ensure you have an immaculately clean bathroom that can pass bond inspections with flying colours. Whether you choose to do the cleaning yourself or opt for professional vacate cleaning Perth, the goal is to ensure no corner is left unchecked.

### 1. Start with a Thorough Inspection

Before beginning the cleansing process, take stock of the bathroom. Identify areas that will probably require more effort – stubborn stains, soap scum, mould and other problem areas will have to be dealt with accordingly. This will help you plan the rest of your cleaning process and help you to be more efficient. This further ensures that you're not missing anything.

### 2. Gather the Right Tools and Products

Effective bathroom cleaning requires the correct set of tools and products. Some of the essentials that you'll need are:

- A sturdy scrub brush
- Microfiber Cloths

- Baking Soda
- White Vinegar
- Bleach or Mould remover
- Tile and Grout Cleaner
- Glass Cleaner

Having these items handy and close to you will help save time and ensure that you're prepared for any challenge – be it removing soap scum or cleaning the hard-to-reach areas.

### 3. Focus on Tile and Grout

Dirty tiles and gout lines are one of the common reasons for deposit deductions. Whether you're opting to clean it yourself or hiring the services of vacate cleaning in Perth, it's essential to give them a through clean. If you're tackling the issue yourself, use a specialised tile cleaner or a mixture of baking soda and water to scrub the tile. For the grout lines, a toothbrush that is dipped in vinegar will work wonderfully. Rinse the areas thoroughly and check for discolouration. Repeat the process if necessary.



### 4. Eliminate Mould and Mildew

Mould and mildew don't just look unsightly; they also pose a serious health threat. To remove them, exercise caution and wear a mask before you start cleaning. You don't want the mould spores entering your respiratory tracks. After donning this safety

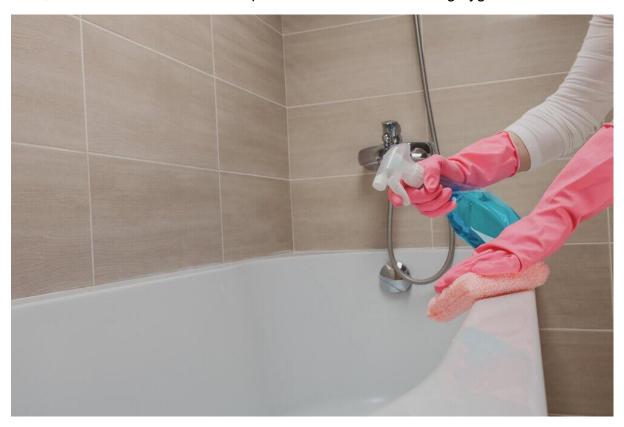
gear, use a bleach solution or a commercial mould remover to clean up the affected areas. Inspect the corners, ceiling edges and around the shower head as well. Taking the time to ensure that the bathroom is free of mould is important for passing the rental inspection.

### 5. Descale and Polish the Fixtures

Water stains and Limescale on taps, showerheads and other fixtures are a major "NO". It can ruin the look of the bathroom and give it an unclean feel. Use a descaling solution or vinegar to remove any build-up by applying it directly on the affected area. Let the solution sit for 10-15 minutes before scrubbing it gently using a soft sponge or brush to loosen the deposits. Finally, polish the fixtures using a microfiber cloth for a streak-free finish.

### 6. Deep Clean the Shower and Bathtub

The shower and bathtubs are a focal point of the bathroom. Hence, you need to clean them carefully. Scrub them using a powerful cleaner (test it out on an inconspicuous area first) to remove the soap scum and stains. Rinse the areas thoroughly after this to prevent any residue from staying behind. Make sure that the shower curtain or screen is spotless, too. If you have a glass screen in the bathroom, use a vinegar solution for cleaning and then dry it out using a microfiber cloth. Services like Vacate Cleaning in Perth often pay special attention to cleaning the toilet, as this is one of the most important areas for maintaining hygiene.



### 7. Sanitise the Toilet

The toilet is another crucial area of focus. To properly clean it, use a toilet-specific cleaner for the inside of the bowl, letting it sit for a couple of minutes to break down stains and bacteria. Use a brush to scrub the bowl thoroughly, including under the rim. Don't forget to clean the outside, including the base and behind the seat, by using an all-purpose cleaner and a lint free cloth. Finish by wiping the area dry to prevent water stains.

### 8. Clean the Sink Vanity and Ventilate Properly

Sinks and vanities are prone to accumulating toothpaste scum, watermarks and grime. To clean this area, use an all-purpose cleaner to scrub the surfaces, paying special attention to the edges and corners. Clean the mirror above the sink with a streak free glass cleaner, being sure to leave no smudges or fingerprints behind.

Another important but overlooked aspect of a bathroom is the ceiling and ventilation shafts or fans. These areas, too, can accumulate dirt, so be sure to dust and wipe them down. Remove any cobwebs to ensure proper airflow. A well-ventilated and odour free bathroom can leave a positive impression during the inspection.

Before concluding the cleaning, review the space to ensure you've missed nothing. If there are any broken fixtures or loose fittings, repair and replace them as needed. For the finishing touch, add a bit of air freshener to eliminate odours. This way, you will be able to achieve a spotless bathroom. But if you feel the task to be too much for you, don't hesitate to call on professional help. Regardless of what you choose, these tips will help you in getting your bond back.

### **CONCLUSION**

You don't need major renovations to make a big impact. With a few simple upgrades—from peel-and-stick tiles to stylish accessories—you can create a bathroom that reflects your taste and meets your needs, all while staying within rental guidelines. Small changes truly can make a big difference.

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