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Ensuite Dreams

Clean, serene and incredibly chic, this beautifully appointed bathroom could easily pass for a high-end spa. The twist? It's accessorized almost exclusively with products from HomeSense. Here's how designer **Lisa Moody** balanced form and function—and her budget—to get the bathroom of her dreams.

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“A bathroom where everything is built-in and utilitarian can feel dull. By bringing in soft elements and small furnishings, it instantly becomes eclectic and interesting.”

— LISA MOODY, DESIGNER



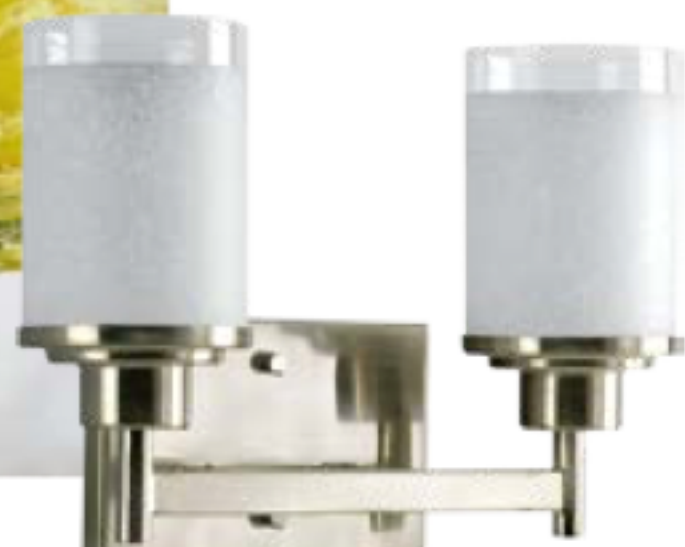
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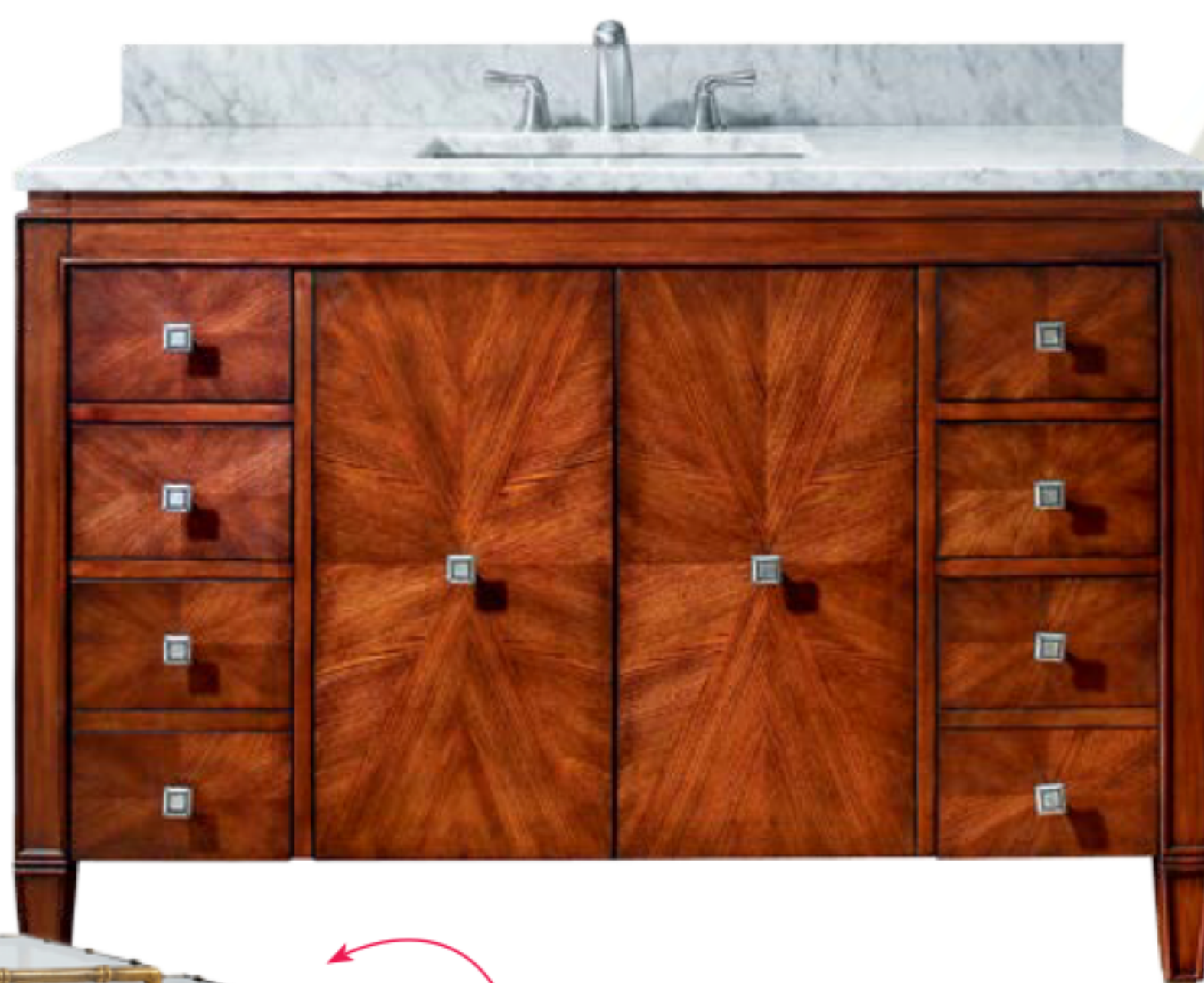


GET THE LOOK

Here's how to bring Lisa Moody's high-end style home.



A prefab walnut vanity is a budget-savvy stand-in for mahogany!



Break up this set of nesting tables and use them throughout your house.



WHEN DESIGNER LISA MOODY started planning the ensuite bathroom for her new build in Surrey, B.C., there were three non-negotiables. “My husband and I always wake up at the same time, so I knew I needed a double vanity,” she says. Next on the list was a freestanding tub for long, luxurious soaks. And finally, in a splurge inspired by a Sarah Richardson bathroom reno Moody had fallen in love with, she wanted show-stopping mahogany cabinetry.

The striking pattern of the mahogany wood grain served as the bathroom’s defining style statement—and it chewed up a chunk of Moody’s budget. As a result, she took a high/low approach, offsetting the cost of the custom cabinetry with thriftier options. “Instead of natural stone on the floor, I used affordable porcelain tile. And all of the accessories, including the pendant light over the bathtub, were from HomeSense.” She also saved money by choosing a single countertop material—ultra-durable quartz—throughout the house. “I used the same quartz counters in my kitchen and laundry room,” says Moody, explaining that this made installation more cost-effective.

What’s more, the room’s neutral envelope of warm white and wood lends a timeless quality to the space, allowing her to amortize the cost over many years. “I’ve added a little sparkle and colour in the accents, but those are things I can change up inexpensively over time,” she says. “Right now, I’m enjoying it thoroughly!”