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Fashionista Jenna Lyons'
New York penthouse

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No longer relegated to the style archives, gold is back and taking a new direction that provides a subtler way to explore your glam side in the bathroom. 'Going for gold is not about the big bling any more, it's about adding warm metallic glints that give a refined luxury, which is very much on trend.' So says James Lentaigne, creative director of Drummonds. 'Brass is the perfect warm metal to achieve this look, especially those made with live finishes, which gain their own natural, organic patina over time.'

So how much is too much when it comes to gold? The current thinking is a ratio of around 1:4, with gold in the minority. As well as the unlacquered brass old gold look, explore brushed gold finishes, which have a softer coat that's sealed to prevent excessive darkening.

One simple way to introduce gold with restraint is to build it up gradually. Start with hard-wired fittings, perhaps a basin tap or light fixture, then layer on the accessories if it's not quite hitting the right note. Remember, you're seeking to elevate pared-back materials, rather than steal the show.

This is the DS445 shower enclosure from Aqata's Design Solutions collection, from £1,752



'HOT ON THE HEELS OF THE HYGGE TREND, A WARMER VIBE IS EMERGING, TRANSLATED IN THE BATHROOM WITH DELICATE HINTS OF GOLD THAT BRING LUXURY WITHOUT OSTENTATION'

Jayne Barnes, managing director, Aqata



Double Lowther vanity basin with white arabescato marble, from £7,980; Barra pop-up mixer tap, £1,290; rectangular tilt mirrors, from £828 each; double Derwent lights with fluted shades, from £570 each; and the Dalby shower, £2,970, all Drummonds