

2 FULL EXPOSURE

While concealed shower controls are neatly discreet and subtle, when you're aiming to make a statement, select fittings that demand to be seen. 'Exposed showers are really about the aesthetic and opting for a more substantial shower set like this one undoubtedly makes a strong statement. Choose gleaming brass or bronze finishes to really make exposed fittings stand out,' says James Lentaigne, creative director, Drummonds. Leawood **shower plate**, from £1,740; Grand floor-standing **shower pipe**, from £1,248; Rother wall mounted WC, from £1,674, all in unlacquered brass, Drummonds. Gramercy Park North soft grey and veined black marble tiles, £474sq m, Lapicida.

3 MAXIMUM IMPACT

In much the same way as a centrally positioned bath can provide a more luxurious layout than a wall-hugging design, shifting the shower into the room is an impactful move. 'A standalone shower can create a magnificent presence in the room,' agrees Tony O'Donnell, managing director, Catchpole & Rye. 'They can also have practical benefits, especially in listed homes, as the self-contained design has minimal impact on the property's internal plumbing and structure.' The Sentinel freestanding **shower** in silver nickel, from £28,800, Catchpole & Rye. Coordonne Edo Mural wallpaper in Mint, £608 for 4m, Fashion Wallpaper. →

