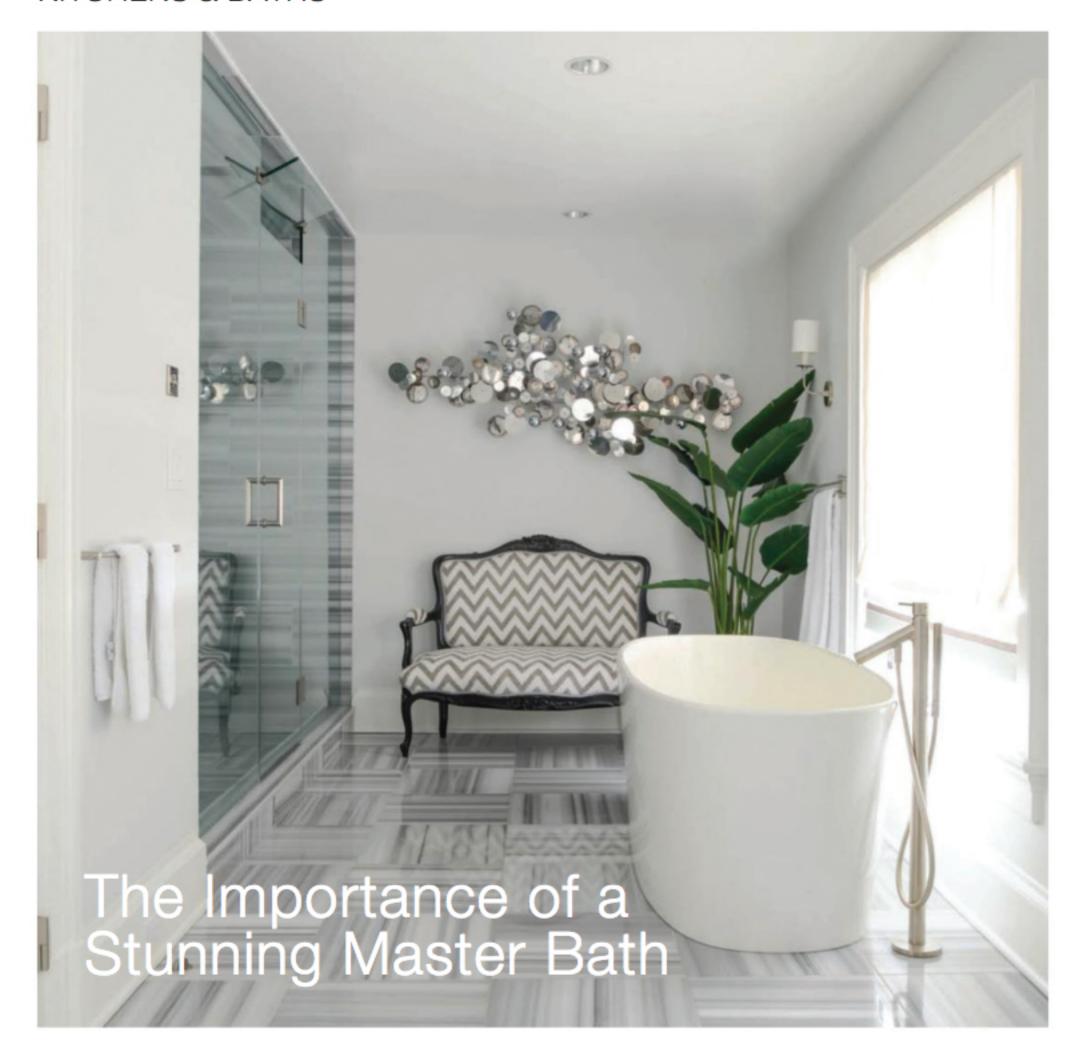
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At its best, a master bathroom is a personal sanctuary that sets the tone for both the beginning and end of your day. Interior Designer Christina Roughan from Roughan Interiors shares her thoughts on creating an inviting retreat

the international firm Roughan Interior Design. Beginning her career in 1994, Christina has vast experience and a keen eye, enabling her to create warm, sophisticated interiors that are timeless and tailored while remaining friendly and approachable. She believes that interiors are to be lived in, and should reflect the people who reside in the space.

Christina's design portfolio is known for deft combinations

ecently Klaffs interviewed Christina Roughan of of texture and subtle color, while combining modern traditional accents to create livable, crisp interiors. She has designed interiors throughout the world, with her clients as diverse as their locations.

> In our interview with Christina, we decided to focus on the master bath:

> Name three components of a master bath that most homeowners would never think of.

There are so many items that come to mind. Potted plants and pedestals look amazing in a bathroom, as a burst of color. A fireplace mantel with a chic screen can be functional or decorative, and placing candles inside will give it amazing light.

Tell us some creative, fun ideas you can incorporate into a master bath.

Adding seating such as a small settee-modern or traditional-is wonderful and looks fantastic. Also, try incorporating antiques in special places, such as antique books for robes, simple white vases on shelves, or sculptures on columns. It gives the space a sitting-room environment.

Please advise a homeowner on a tight budget: Where to spend and where not to?

Flooring is important as it's so visual, therefore I would spend on floor tiles and a vanity. You can get beautiful fixtures that are cost-effective, and line the shower in simple subway tiles, which now come in a variety of colors.

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