

THE IN SET

While freestanding baths create a centerpiece, says Belinda Geels of Reece, inset (built-in) baths allow you to place shampoo and soap, perhaps even a wineglass, on the surrounding surface.

"Built-in baths are now available in modern designs with defining lines, such as the Hoesch Foster double-ended bath," says Geels (see no 7, previous page.) "They're a popular alternative to traditional rectangular baths."

TAPPING AWAY

"The easiest way to update bath tapware is to replace it with a designer spout," says Crystal Bishop, a bathroom specialist at Tradelink. Check out spouts that create novel flow effects, such as the triple flow of the Guglielmi AG (no 3, previous page) and the solid sheet of water that issues from the Southcape Waterfall Hydra (no 9, opposite).

Sculptural taps and dramatic water-flow effects add to the sensual experience of bathing.

