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## Mr \& Mrs Penfield \& their Sittingbourne Shaker Kitchen...

After following up on a recommendation from their family, Mr \& Mrs Penfield visited Ream's award-winning Gillingham showroom in Kent. Their 11-year-old, open-plan kitchen was dark, suffered from ageing appliances and had a terrible lack of storage, so after some deliberation, they decided it was time for an upgrade.

Lara, one of Ream's Kitchen Designers, gave the couple peace of mind that their need for more storage as well as a sleek shaker design was not only achievable, but would completely transform the space. The finished kitchen incorporated an array of new appliances, a traditional butler sink, classic dark blue, shaker-style units and matching white wall \& floor tiles to create a light and airy space that is a pleasure to spend time in.



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# Designer Discussions 

## Comparing Traditional and Contemporary Bathrooms

When renovating your bathroom, choosing which style to go with can feel a little overwhelming. How do you choose between traditional \& contemporary bathroom designs if you're not sure which suits you better? Bathrooms are no longer simply a practical space - we now wish for this space to be both functional and stylish, a reflection of our style and personalities, just like any other room in the house.


When shopping for a new bathroom, you can largely split the two styles between traditional and contemporary. A traditional bathroom can be identified by its classic design touches, whereas a modern, contemporary bathroom interior consists of sleek lines, sharp edges and a minimalist feel. In this article, we're going to compare the differences to give you an insight into the perfect bathroom design for you and your needs...

## Traditional Bathrooms -

This bathroom style can be timeless and classic, adding to the feel of a traditional home. When creating an impressive traditional bathroom space, focal points are easily introduced to the space with classic free-standing furniture, such as a feature bathtub and ornate details like heritage tile work or grandiose Victorian mixer taps. More traditional bathrooms tend to have light fixtures that aren'tintegral to the room. For instance, you wouldn't see an integral ceiling spotlight in a traditional bathroom. Lighting for more classic spaces would often be in the shape of pendant or wall-mounted lights, creating a Victorian-like atmosphere.

## Contemporary Bathrooms -

Contemporary bathrooms are sleek, clean and minimalistic. They're more modern than traditional bathrooms, often featuring bold colours or patterns that make them pop. Often they are led by "less is more" theory of design, often resulting in elegant but minimalist spaces.


A contemporary bathroom design can be created for any size or shape room. Even if you don't have much space to work with, you might be surprised at the level of aesthetic possible.

If your bathroom feels small due to its layout (for example: if it has one large mirror above the sink), try using mirrors on other walls instead of putting up paintings or artwork there. You can also add bright colours to give the room more light and make it appearlarger than it actually is.

## Colour Schemes

Traditional bathroom design tends to lean towards muted and neutral colours, such as sage greens, earthy tones and blues. However, modern designs can often be seen to throw away the rule book and incorporate a variety of on-trend colour palettes into the mix.

With a contemporary interior, you can be as bold as you like...

## Flooring Options

Many people who opt for a classic design like to choose a muted pattern floor or tile, such as a black and white block design. With modern designs, tiles are a fantastic finishing touch for flooring. If you're worried about it feeling cold and bare, there are many under-tile heating options to explore and, although they come at a cost, can completely transform your morning ritual.

## What Style Should You Choose?

Choosing between a traditional bathroom and a contemporary bathroom depends on personal preference. However, to make things simpler we recommend thinking of the following as you make your decision:

- What does the rest of your home look like?
- What look can you picture loving several years from now?

We know there are many factors to consider when choosing the right bathroom for your home and family, but hopefully, this article has helped narrow down some of those choices.

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Impress your guests with Gnocchi with Lemon \& Sage Sauce - Prep time: 20 mins

- Cooking time: 45 mins
- Serves: 2-4


For the Gnocchi:

- 500 g potatoes
- 160 g flour
- 1 egg yolk
- $11 / 2$ tsp salt
- 1 pinch grated nutmeg
- Cornflour

For the Sauce:

- $1 / 2$ bunch sage
- 1 lemon
- 80 onion, finely chopped
- 40 g butter
- salt \& pepper
- 50 ml white wine
- 250 ml cream

ChefTip-
Sprinkle with crispy bacon if you want to add salty flavour notes and more texture.


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- Clean and peel the potatoes and bring them to a boil. Let them cool completely, then mash
- Form a dough with potatoes, flour, egg yolk, salt, pepper and nutmeg. Divide into five and roll each piece into thumb-thick 'ropes', lightly sprinkling the surface with flour so that the dough does not stick
- Cut ropes into 2 cm pieces and place them on a perforated steamer tray. Steam the gnocchi on shelf level 2 on Full Steam at $95^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 minutes
- To prepare the sauce, snip sage leaves from the stems and set aside 8 leaves for garnish, finely chopping the rest. Zest and juice the lemon
- Sauté chopped onion in the butter and season to taste with salt and pepper. Add white wine and let it bubble for 2 minutes, add cream and reduce to two-thirds. Add the chopped sage leaves, lemon zest and lemon juice
- To serve, toss the steamed gnocchi in the sauce, then serve on preheated plates and garnish with sage leaves, a little grated Parmesan to taste, plus salt and pepper.


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Round off your dinner party with a French classic - Crème Brûlée

- Prep time: 15 mins
- Cooking time: 40 mins
- Serves: 8


- 7 eggyolks
- 100g sugar
- 200ml milk
- 300 ml cream
- 1 vanilla pod

Chef Tip-
It's easy to burn the sugar when you are blow torching so control the heat and keep a keen eye until you reach golden brown. Have a practice first on a ramekin of yoghurt if you have never done before so you don't waste your hard work.


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- Split the vanilla pod in half lengthways and scrape out the seeds. Put both pod and seeds into a pan with the milk and the cream. Bring to a boil and simmer for 10 minutes
- Combine the egg yolks with the sugar and mix well
- Remove the vanilla pod from the liquid and stir the milk and cream mixture slowly into the egg mixture, taking care to avoid making bubbles. Stir the mixture gently with a whisk, without beating
- Distribute the mixture between 8 oven-proof ramekins and place them on an oven rack
- Bake on shelf level 2 , on Full Steam at $95^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 minutes. Cool the crème brûlées to room temperature then chill before serving
- To serve, sprinkle the tops with sugar and caramelise with a kitchen blowtorch, then serve immediately

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-Emma, Operations Director.

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