## Tips for installing a cost-effective bathroom

The bathroom is one of the most highly trafficked and important rooms in the house. When it comes to installing a new bathroom it is important to establish a plan and a budget. This can be challenging as installing plumbing and drainage lines can be very time consuming and costly.

Here are some tips to establishing a costeffective budget without sacrificing functionality and design.

Know your DIY limits: Assess which aspects of the project you can complete yourself, and which ones you will require a professional. Over-estimating your DIY ability will be effective for the budgeting stage, however unrealistic self expectations can set you back both financially and time wise.

Ventilation: Moisture can be your bathrooms greatest long-term foe. If your bathroom is not properly ventilated mold and mildew can cost you a fortune down the road. If possible, include windows for natural light, and ventilation. If it is not possible to include a window, then be sure to install a ventilation fan, which pulls air out and allows fresh air to draw back in. The size of the ventilation fan is dependent on the size of your bathroom.

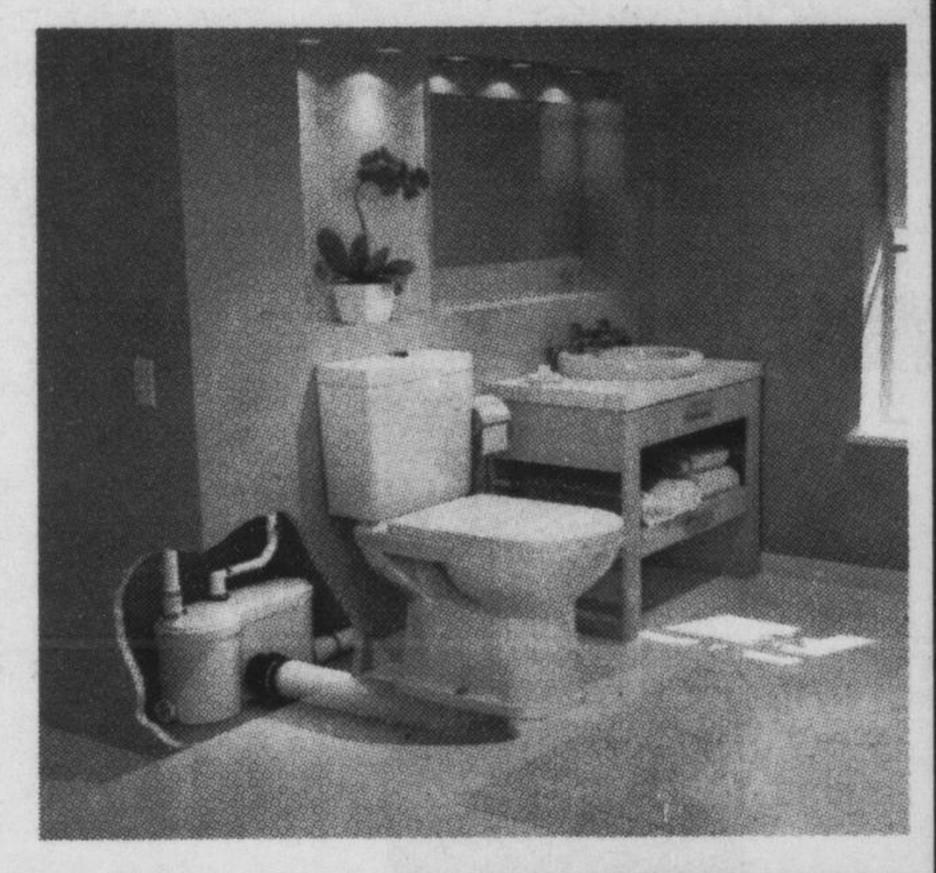
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