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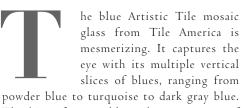


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The bits of gray add to the appearance of

sound waves. The design is called "Billie Ombré" and is a nod to the great jazz singer Billie Holiday.

"The pattern is actually Billie Holiday's voice in wavelength format," explains Jonathan Gordon of Design by the Jonathans. "It's really neat the way it creates this incredible large-scale pattern within the space." The Billie Collection also includes a full spectrum gray, rich charcoal to pale white, and an array of greens, from deep forest to a color reminiscent of pale moonlight.

The stunning blue in this Stamford, CT, bathroom became the foundation of a space that originally looked like a classic brown monologue. The room featured a narrow, cruise ship-sized glass shower and a quintessential outdated tub that unwittingly became the room's focal point due to its sheer size. This internal space



has no windows, but Jonathan quickly saw its potential and, after talking to the client, had a relatively open slate to design. "We take our clients on shopping trips to see and touch their products; Tile America is always one of our stops," he says. "The client said he wanted a modern spa-type, with features no

one else had. He said to me, 'I don't know what I'm after—come up with something and make it spectacular and modern, with a little bit of an industrial look.'"

Once Jonathan chose Billie Ombré, he knew the rest of the finishes couldn't overshadow the stunning shower design. The team chose muted neutral tones, except for the vanity, which matches the shower. To highlight the tile and add a unique restful essence, he created a tray ceiling within the shower border and added rope lighting to the perimeter strip, giving the shower an incredible spa feel. The stunning, modern gray wall tile runs horizontally, perpendicular to the vertical Billie Ombré, offering depth, texture and pop without trying to overshadow the shower tiles.

The high-end shower pulls out all the stops when it comes to





amenities. A digital command center in the shower controls all the components. A Kohler Real Rain showerhead is the main feature, with a secondary handheld shower mounted on the wall. The glass enclosure allows for a full-steam shower and includes the option to add scented oils. Other elements are a quartz benchtop, quartz floating shelves and niches embedded into the wall. A heated floor prevents cold feet, and an intelligent toilet has a bidet function and heating, and opens upon approach, among other accoutrements.

But the shower, says Jonathan, is the star of the show.

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