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Ideas, costs, tips and plans - the information you need for a successful Bathroom Remodeling project

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Homeowners have many important questions about their Bathroom Remodeling Project. How much will it cost? How long will it take? What problem areas do I need to watch out for? Can I recover my Bathroom Remodeling Investment when I sell? Can I do some of the work myself? What can I do to make sure that the work is done right?

Costs, materials and best practices for the example Bathroom Remodeling project will help you answer these questions. Use this information to develop a budget, bid requirements, hiring contracts and a project plan.

Use the following information to understand your options, make good decisions and get quality work at a fair price.

Bathroom Remodeling - Project Overview

The approximate costs and value of a typical Bathroom Remodeling project are summarized below. Use higher estimates for larger metropolitan areas and the lower estimates where home prices are below the national average. Adjust costs for substitutions or refinements in the last section. For size differences of up to 25%, scale total costs in direct proportion to the size of your project. Use the adjusted costs as a basis for setting a material budget and for comparing contractor bids (if you choose to have a professional perform the work).

Project description	Replace bathtub, cabinet, sink and fixtures. Add granite countertop. Install new tile surround and floor. Paint walls. Refinish bathtub and sink. Update lighting and electrical. Use above average quality materials and finishing detail.
Project size	75 square feet
Material and labor cost	\$14,711 - \$17,162
Material cost	\$8,325 - \$9,713
Do-it-yourself assessment	The typical Bathroom Remodeling project involves tasks that are best performed by experienced professionals. Good quality Bathroom Remodeling requires considerable experience, skill and attention to detail. Do it yourself mistakes are noticeable, may be difficult to remedy and may actually reduce the market value of the project and your home.
First year Return on Investment - ROI	Returns vary widely and are affected by the range of home prices in your neighborhood, the overall condition of your home and sensible design choices. A high quality Bathroom Remodeling project in an appropriate neighborhood can return as much as 77% - 91% of its initial cost.
Long term Return on Investment - ROI	Returns will be impacted by the range of home prices in your neighborhood, the overall condition of your home and sensible design choices. A high quality Bathroom Remodeling project can return as much as 67% - 78% of its initial cost
Green rating	Bathroom Remodeling projects can employ renewable resources and environmentally friendly construction materials. Efficient lighting, HVAC, insulation and appliance choices can significantly reduce the energy footprint of your home.

Use this guide to:

- Get fair, complete bids
- Maintain project control
- Get quality work
- Make a strong contract

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Bathroom Remodeling - Proven Ideas and Project Tips

Review these tips, design suggestions, options and lessons learned before finalizing your Bathroom Remodeling project plan.

To maximize return on the Bathroom Remodeling project, limit cost to no more than 5.5% of home's total, post project value

For best resale value, select a taste neutral design for your Bathroom Remodeling

For best home resale value, follow a consistent design and decorating theme throughout the home

For best resale value, select components, appliances, finishes and fixtures of comparable quality

Match appliances and fixtures to electrical circuit, hot water and gas capacities

To minimize risk of electrical shock, have all circuits protected by GFCI

Update or restore electrical switches, receptacles and switch plates

Perform major Bathroom Remodeling work with permits to help protect value at resale time

Avoid costly surprises - before purchase, be sure that all appliances and components can be moved to their final location through existing doorways / passageways

Install electrical receptacles inside cabinet where electrical devices are stored

Bathroom Remodeling - Project Plan and Details

The following list includes major work tasks commonly performed during Bathroom Remodeling. Use this list to understand the timing and sequence of different steps in the Bathroom Remodeling project. Click any Task name for a complete written specifications, FAQs and quality checklist for the task - this essential information will help you control Bathroom Remodeling project cost and quality.

Task	Service Provider	Duration	Do-it-yourself difficulty	Target cost
Develop Project Budget	General Contractor	2 to 15 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$140 - \$234
Specify Materials	Interior Designer	2 to 15 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$190 - \$317
Specify Finishes	Interior Designer	1 to 2 d	Level 3 - Complex, Difficult	\$190 - \$317
Remove Bathroom Tile	Demolition Laborer	1 d	Level 1 - Basic	\$1.25 - \$2.09 per square foot
Remove Bathtub	Demolition Laborer	1 d	Level 1 - Basic	\$18.75 - \$31.31
Install Bathtub Faucet	Plumber	1 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$255 - \$453
Install GFCI Outlet	Electrician	1 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$65 - \$114 per outlet
Install Molding	Finish Carpenter	1 to 2 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$2.75 - \$4.77 per linear foot
Install Recessed Lighting	Electrician	1 to 3 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$163 - \$285
Install Bathroom Cabinet	Finish Carpenter	1 to 2 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$345 - \$626 per linear foot
Paint Wall	Painting Contractor	1 to 3 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$0.55 - \$0.95 per square foot
Paint Molding	Painting Contractor	1 to 3 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$1.95 - \$3.29 per linear foot
Install Granite Countertops	Installer	5 d	Level 4 - Pros Only	\$60 - \$110 per square foot
Install Mortar Bed	Tile Contractor	1 d	Level 3 - Complex, Difficult	\$5.95 - \$10.25 per square foot
Install Tile Floor	Tile Contractor	1 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$10.70 - \$18.72 per square foot
Install Shower Enclosures	Handyman	1 d	Level 3 - Complex, Difficult	\$686 - \$1,259
Install Bathroom Fan	Electrician	1 to 2 d	Level 2 - Challenging	\$307 - \$524

Install Bathtub	Plumber	2 to 5 d	Level 4 - Pros Only	\$415 - \$743
Replace Switch Plates	Electrician	1 d	Level 1 - Basic	\$15.50 - \$26.79

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