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1. Tile Takes Shape

Part of the Entourage glass mosaic collection, Alair offers a new shape to add a creative touch to backsplashes, bathrooms, and feature walls. The elongated hex design is a 2-by-4-inch, mesh-mounted mosaic with marble and glass elements. Choose from six colors: white-on-white cotton; golden and gray tones in honey, dove, slate, and smoke; and blue-green tinted mint. Retail pricing starts at about \$30 per square foot. americanolean.com

2. Modern Bath Vanity Finish

Oyster gray has been added as a finish for Acclaim bath vanities from Christopher Grubb. Also available in espresso and white finishes, the vanities are constructed of solid oak and come in six widths, from 30 to 80 inches. Designers can specify ivory marble or white Carrera countertops or supply their own. Matching mirrors and a coordinating linen tower with glass doors are also available. Pricing runs from \$850 for the 30-inch vanity to \$1,500 for the 80-inch dual sink. christophergrubb.com

3. Interior Trim for Any Style

Each of the five families in Metrie's Then & Now Finishing Collection includes wainscot molding for creating stylized wall paneling designs. The coordinated paint-grade profiles and boards are designed to ease installation. Moldings echo the design elements in each family, such as the French curves style (shown). Each molding collection includes a stile and rail board of appropriate width, a chair rail, and at least one additional molding profile. Check with dealers for pricing. metrie.com

4. Stately Bath Fixtures

Inspired by the pediments of New York's Manhattan Bridge, Townsend bath faucets combine urban styling, innovation, and water efficiency. Sink faucets come in one single-handle and two widespread models (one high-arc and one low spout) and deliver water at 1.2 gpm. All have brass bodies and washerless ceramic disc valves, along with Speed Connect drains and universal valves. Upgrades include a WaterSense showerhead, a 6-inch showerhead, and a 7 1/4-inch tub spout. Lavatory faucets cost from \$260 to \$535, with deck-mount tub fillers starting at \$465 and bath/shower trim kits ranging from \$260 to \$360. americanstandard.com

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5. Outdoor Accent Lighting

WAC Lighting has introduced a landscape lighting collection that includes wall wash, deck, and patio lights; 3-inch in-ground hardscape lighting; outdoor landscape tapes; step, area, and path lights; and more. The adjustable LED accent light (shown) can dynamically change wattage (2 to 16 watts), brightness (100 to 1,000 lumens), and color. Designers can choose from pure-white and warm-white light. The maker says it has incorporated UV- and corrosion-resistant materials throughout for a 10-year warranty on fixtures. waclighting.com

6. Smart Thermostat Adjusts to Needs

The Wiser Air Wi-Fi Smart Thermostat now features Eco IQ. Rather than entering desired temperature set points, users only need to provide feedback when they're not comfortable. Eco IQ takes over, adjusting the temperature to create an optimal environment and maximize energy savings. Using the maker's weather-forecasting service, Eco IQ also learns how long it takes to change the home's temperature in all types of weather, enabling the system to make predictive adjustments. The thermostat has an intuitive user interface, color touchscreen, and plug-and-play design, and syncs with its smartphone app. Priced at \$240. wiserair.com

7. Entryways Go Bold

Pella is making a statement with expansions in both style and color. Its new Premium Smooth Panel entry doors come in five contemporary panel designs—ranging from Craftsman to a more-modern five-panel—and two sidelite designs, and all can be finished with the maker's bold new Vibrancy Collection of colors: vivacious red, lively blue, sparkling teal, spirited orange, animated yellow, and energetic green. Pricing for the doors starts at around \$1,500. pella.com

8. Rain, Rain, Go Away

Make company vehicles safer with EnduroShield Automotive Glass Rain Repellent. One application will repel rain and improve visibility for up to one year or 12,500 miles, the maker says. Applied with a soft cloth, the non-stick, invisible coating causes rainwater to bead; reduces adhesion of grime and bugs; and eases snow and ice removal. The company also offers treatments for shower doors and other materials, making cleaning a breeze. The Automotive kit costs \$10 at Home Depot. Shower-door treatments cost \$20. enduroshield.com

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9. Bright Idea for Workshops

Put light where it's needed with two new AC-powered LED work lights. Model SL-2135 has a 25-foot cord, and the SL-866 has 50 feet of cord in a retractable reel with a mounting bracket. Both models have a 1,200-lumen "high" mode and 600-lumen "low" mode. Two magnets—one in the handle and one at the light's tip—and a detachable magnetic hook provide attachment for hands-free operation. The handle's octagonal shape keeps it from rolling around when placed on its side. Look for pricing around \$60 online. baycoproducts.com

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10. Sound-Softening Underlayment

Made from 100% latex rubber, Sound Buffer universal acoustic underlayment can be used under vinyl, laminate, engineered wood, and hardwood flooring and can be floated, nailed, stapled, or glued. Sound Buffer's IIC and STC sound tests have exceeded the standards for high-rise installations. Available in 36-inch-wide, 200-square-foot rolls with or without seam tape, the recyclable Sound Buffer is 1.2mm thick, offers density of 25 pounds per cubic foot, and has antimicrobial properties. It retails for about 50 cents a square foot. mpglobalproducts.com

11. Rustic Shower Hardware

Part of Sonoma Forge's WaterBridge collection, the Exposed Shower System can now be mounted on glass (as well as wall- or floor-mount), and new accessories conceal mounting hardware for a clean appearance. Other WaterBridge products include lavatory and bar faucets and Roman tub fillers. Optional accessories include a hand shower, tub filler, and alternative showerheads. Choose from a variety of finishes. Pricing ranges from \$2,900 to \$6,075. sonomaforge.com

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12. Durable Flashing for Roof Penetrations

Eliminate the most frequent cause of roof leaks, with Ultimate Pipe Flashing. Featuring a proprietary sealing method for plumbing vent pipes and other roof penetrations, the product is made with ultra-pure silicone for UV and ozone stability and isn't prone to cracking. A compression collar prevents the rubber from relaxing away from the pipe and won't cut the silicone. Flashing with nailing slots is provided for the sides and top for a weather-tight seal without caulk. Use with roof pitches from flat to 20/12 for PVC pipes up to 2 inches, and pitches up to 18/12 for 3- or 4-inch pipes. Priced at \$50 online. lifetimetool.com