## BATH REMODEL

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# SLEEK TRADITIONAL A SOUTHLAKE COUPLE GETS AN ELEGANT MASTER BATH



The Kormanns were leaning toward a traditional look that incorporated clean lines and a fresh feel, but they weren't sure where to start. Chris Chumbley, owner of USI Remodeling, talked to the couple and came up with a plan. "Chris was very creative," Heidi says. "If you've ever [remodeled a room] yourself, it can be very overwhelming. Chris helped us pinpoint the look we were going for."

While the basic footprint of the space stayed the same, the master bath now is a mix of traditional with some bold touches. Chocolate Dark Emperador marble adorns the counter surfaces and tub surround. The cabinets were painted a bold black, and black panels were added to the base of the tub. "Black painted finishes on the vanities heighten the furniture feel," Chumbley says. "We used polished chrome Porcher (Reprise) fixtures for style and to add pop."

Crema Marfil porcelain tiles with marble insets were used on the floor. The two materials also were used in the shower, which is a real showpiece thanks to the focal wall featuring an Art Deco design.

The wall between the shower and tub was removed and replaced with heavy glass. "It really opened up the bathroom," Heidi says. "It feels bigger than it did before."

The crystal chandelier adds to the elegant, traditional feel. "The chandelier is my favorite part of the room," Heidi says. "It finished off the room and sets the tone."

The Kormanns were impressed with USI's workmanship. "It was probably the best experience I've ever had with a contractor," Heidi says, adding that USI was prompt, the quality of the work was fantastic, and it came in on time and on budget.

"This is a space I like to spend more time in now," Heidi says. Even the couple's 4-year-old daughter who used to be afraid to take showers loves it. "After we put in the new bathroom, all of the sudden she refused to take a bath. All she wants to do is take a shower,"

Although Heidi and Matthew Kormann's Southlake home was built in 1996, Heidi says the master bath looked like something from the late '80s or early '90s before they hired USI Remodeling to redo it. The faux marble in a peach color on the countertops, plain white cabinetry and standard white builder's tile really dated the room.

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Heidi says.

## RESOURCES

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### **AFTER:**

Bold black cabinetry complements the chocolate colored marble giving the master bath a traditional look with a twist.

### AFTER:

This remodeled bathroom features Dark Emperador marble on the counter surfaces, Crema Marfil flooring, a focal wall in the shower and an elegant mini chandelier.

