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At an apartment in Stuttgart, Germany, the Ippolito Fleitz Group installed a stainless-steel rain shower in the guest bathroom. Photography: Zooey Braun.

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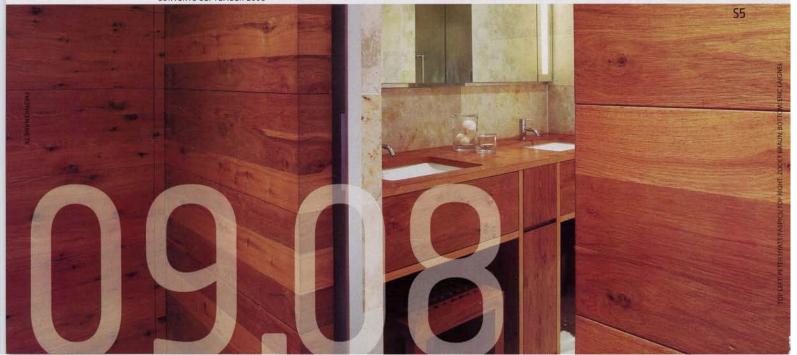
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Hakatai

Turn any drawing or design into a handmounted mural of hand-cut tiles. After you choose from Venetian glass, smalto, gold, or marble in a variety of cuts, plus an uncut version, the tiles can be mounted with a mesh backing or a paper-face technique. No minimum or maximum dimensions required. 541-552-0855; hakatai.com. circle 453



The slim profile of Crono is cast from a composite of natural minerals and resin in Alpine White. This washbasin, 30 inches wide by 18 deep by 5½ high, was designed to sit on a counter 20 inches deep. For the solid-brass tap, select a finish of polished or matte chrome. 717-718-8900; burg-northamerica.com. circle 454

Methven

A modular-minded shower system, Satinjet Tahi offers a medley of metals. The showerhead and main rail are both chrome-plated extruded aluminum, while the footrest adds texture. As for the chrome-plated hand shower, it rests in a holder of chrome-plated solid zinc. And the shelf is sheet aluminum with a nickel-chrome finish. 800-975-5409; satinjet.com.

Villeroy & Boch

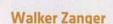
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Though it's actually porcelain, the Pure Stone basin has the shape and

texture of an enormous pebble, measuring 21 by 21 inches or 24 by 25. Specify gray

or white with or without a stain-resistant finish, Ceramicplus. The Source Flow tap is chromed brass. 858-812-2550; villeroy-boch.com.

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Influenced by the fabrics and wall coverings of sundrenched Mediterranean shores, Contessa Florentina

> ceramic tiles are goldleafed, then hand-buffed to achieve an old-world patina. Each tile measures 45% inches square. 818-504-0235; walkerzanger.com.

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