

## Trends 2018

## 08 Making the Transition

Trends are defined by shifting perceptions of design as living styles change. This year, trends that have been emerging over the years will get stronger, and the infinite design possibilities in architecture and interior décor will conjure endless choices as the old makes way for the new.

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## Sanitaryware

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Emanuela Tavolini, Director Sales Europe, Graff

2017 has seen a focus on technology inside the bathroom, with a special attention towards the shower area. The market request for a home-spa, has pushed manufacturers to develop complex showers in which, together with the traditional rain shower, the user can enjoy the experience of a waterfall, a 6 LED color chromotherapy, music and a full set of multimedia functionalities, for instance Graff's Aqua-sense.

For 2018, we expect a great attention towards new finishes and new materials both for the faucets and the furniture elements inside the bathroom. The trend of luxury is to create products that can make the customer's life more comfortable. For this reason, products have to be attractive but, at the same time, also functional, resistant to wear, and easy to maintain. In 2018, Graff will be introducing a full program of new bathtubs and washbasins which will be developed based on these criteria.

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