

Bathroom Renovations

The en suite bathrooms in the Adelaide style houses in Cardinal Glen were typically outfitted with dove grey appliances, a dated look to be sure.

Many owners have updated the en suite bathroom and it will be interesting to share experiences among the group members.

In my case, I have redone the floor in ceramic tiles and also rebuild the sink cabinet, also using ceramic tile as the countertop surface. I have not changed out the toilet, sink or bathtub, at least not yet. I have also not changed the original bathroom window.

If you are thinking of installing a whirlpool bath in the master suite bathroom, and if you are not using the electric baseboard heater mounted to the wall in the bedroom just behind the base of the bathtub, you will almost certainly be able to use this circuit to power the motor and heater components of the whirlpool bath by removing the baseboard heater and redirecting the wiring into the bathroom.

If you are having a new shower stall installed, make sure that the installation includes cement reinforcing of the floor of the shower stall so as to avoid future leaks.

Also make sure that any new toilet selected has a lined tank to prevent leakages caused by external tank condensation. I was amazed to learn how many "high-end" toilets do not have lined tanks so be careful when making this selection.

Bathroom window replacement is discussed in another article on this site pertaining to window capping or replacement.

Leaks from the en suite bathroom shower stall and bathtub are discussed elsewhere on this site in an article that addresses leaks into the ceiling of the main floor powder room.