

# Old Reliable

Designer Natalie Erickson discusses her top choices in kitchen and bath products

ALL DESIGNERS HAVE THEIR OWN dependable fallbacks – the products that always work well, look beautiful and endure trends. For Natalie Erickson, ASID, of Deep River Partners in Milwaukee, these products should work in tandem with architecture and palette to benefit the overall well-being of her client. Recognized as an ASID-WI Emerging Professional, Erickson has earned several national and local accolades, including multiple platinum honors from the ASID-WI Design Excellence Awards. Erickson spoke with KBB about her absolute favorites for the kitchen and bath.



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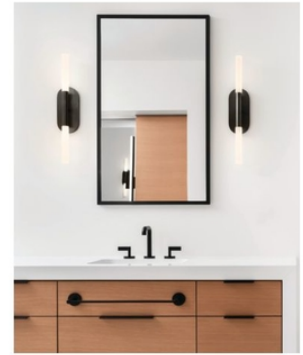
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— **Tempesta Quartzite:** “We just finished a project with Tempesta Quartzite on the kitchen island in a leathered finish, and I love how it turned out. I am excited to see a shift back to natural materials that add visual texture. Quartzite is a great option for a hard, non-porous countertop material that also comes in a huge range of looks from the natural colors and veining.”



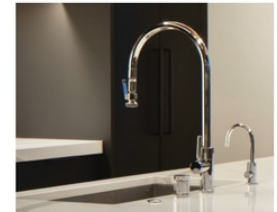
— **Kohler DTV Steam Shower:** “With body sprays, rain heads, showerheads, hand showers and steam, we have enjoyed setting up digital controls for our clients with the Kohler DTV System. This allows us to still have a clean aesthetic in the showers without the control valves visible. We like to set one interface outside the shower and one inside the shower for ease of use.”

— **Robern Medicine Cabinet:** “I love the Robern Medicine cabinets to hide electric toothbrushes and shavers and keep countertops clean and calming. The design can be modern with Robern’s frames, or we can add our own casing for a traditional look.”



— **Eldon Tub from Victoria + Albert:** “Victoria + Albert tubs have great designs that range from modern to traditional. While beautiful statement pieces for any bathroom, they offer luxurious features and are extremely comfortable and well made.”

— **Modern PLP 9750 from Waterstone Faucet:** “Waterstone Faucets are beautifully crafted and have all the accessories – like an air switch for disposal, a soap pump and a coordinating reverse osmosis faucet. I love how all those little details add up to a beautiful collection for a complete kitchen sink experience.”



↑ **Hartmann&Forbes Shades:** “I love to bring texture into a bathroom with the window shades. Hartmann&Forbes offerings are naturally woven and add a beautiful feel and softness to a bathroom.”



↑ **Beverage Refrigerator from Sub-Zero:** “The kitchen has evolved into the gathering place while entertaining, and having a defined beverage service area conveniently accessible has been a great addition to our projects.”



— **Texas Lightsmith Range Hoods:** “We love working with Texas Lightsmith on custom range hoods for our kitchen projects. They offer a variety of finishes and textures and can range from polished to rustic with the aesthetic. The details and craftsmanship really shine as a focal point to any kitchen.”