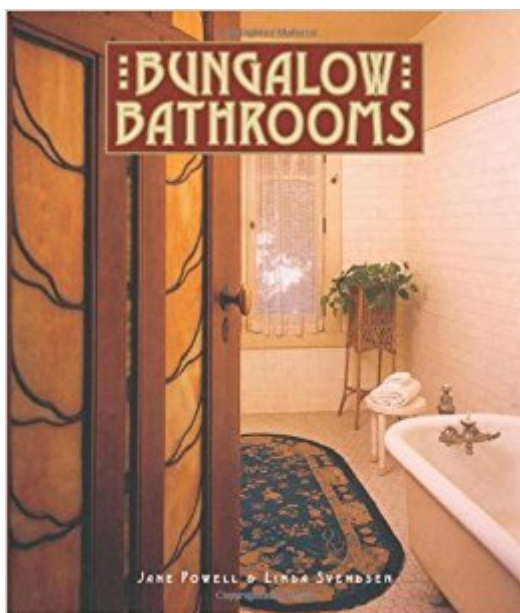


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# Bungalow Bathrooms (Bungalow Basics)



## Synopsis

The hands-on sourcebook for creating or restoring a stylish bathroom in the Arts & Crafts spirit. In this sequel to the best-selling *Bungalow Kitchens*, Jane Powell and Linda Svendsen turn to the second most complex room in the house. As reflected in these pages, the bathroom can-and should-be a beautiful extension of the home style-and what better examples than those from the Arts & Crafts era. Though it may seem a self-evident feature of the Arts & Crafts style, bungalow bathrooms are truly artistic endeavors. They go beyond the traditional pedestal sink and claw-foot tub to some of the most beautiful tile work, woodwork, fixtures, and decorative elements available. *Bungalow Bathrooms* is a guide to restoring or designing a period-style bathroom for a bungalow or other early-twentieth-century house. It provides a wealth of information about flooring, cabinets, countertops, fixtures, faucets, and all the other elements that make up a bungalow bathroom, as well as advice on how to integrate modern technology while maintaining the bungalow look. Jane Powell, the author of *Bungalow Kitchens*, is the proprietor of House Dressing, a business dedicated to renovating and preserving old homes, particularly bungalows. She is the former president of the historic preservation organization in her hometown of Oakland, California. Linda Svendsen, a graduate of Music and Art High School and Parsons School of Design in New York, specializes in architectural interior and exterior photography. Her work has been seen most recently in *Camps and Cottages*, *Bungalow Kitchens*, *Old House Journal*, *Old House Interiors*, *Victorian Decorating*, and *Lifestyles Magazine*.

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"Bungalow Bathrooms will help you pick just the right faucet, sink, tile, cabinetry, and more-whether you want to replicate a specific era or install modern elements that mimic classic looks." (Better Homes & Gardens Remodeling Ideas 2000-01-01)"Not only does the book deliver practical information on restoring or designing a period bathroom for today's home, it also contains a humorous account of the history of the bathroom " (Los Angeles Times 2000-01-01)"This new book on bathrooms is as satisfying as a long soak in the tub after a hard day's work renovating a bungalow." (Fine Homebuilding 2000-01-01)

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Just having completed a renewal of a 100 year old kitchen, for which the book The New Bungalow Kitchen was a wonderful resource, I had high hopes when I ordered a copy of Bungalow Bathrooms. I was disappointed, but I'm not certain it is the fault of the book. The emphasis of Bungalow Bathrooms is on restoration, in other words re-creating the same bathroom that might be found in the original home. This is clearly a different philosophy than I have, which is to update my kitchen and bathroom to take advantage of 21st century technology while still remaining consistent with the artistic vision of Craftsman/Bungalow homes. So if you are looking for solid ideas to modernize your bathroom, as found in The New Bungalow Kitchen, then Bungalow Bathrooms won't help you very much. That being said, Bungalow Bathrooms is a well-done book. It contains many examples of restoration, and points the reader toward resources used in restoration work. Partly due to the excellent photos in the book, I did benefit in terms of a better understanding of tile work in craftsman/bungalow bathrooms.

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I bought this book to get ideas on renovating my 1930 bungalow bathroom. Although the book focuses more on restoration than renovation, I still found it a wonderful source of ideas. Filled with lots of full color pictures of restored and well-preserved bathrooms, the book is worth its price for the

pictures alone. The text covers both historic and current issues and is a wealth of information. Each section of the book has a chapter called "Obsessive Restoration" for those serious about historic integrity, but also offers a "Compromise Solution" for those of us who need to balance 21st century demands. We found the book extremely valuable in picking layout, hardware, fixtures, walls, and flooring. It really helped us to design a bathroom that meets the needs of a modern family, yet which blends in with the historic values of our home.

I've read other Jane Powell books and have always found them both entertaining and informative. In this book, she provides a history of bathrooms and bathroom fixtures and provides information about restoring older baths. She even includes advice about repairing old fixtures, broken tile etc. As in her other books she gives the readers advice about "Obsessive Restoration" and modern "Compromise Solutions" - all in keeping with the historic theme. The photographs in this book are wonderful; I was surprised by the wild colors of some of the bathrooms that were created in the 1920's and 1930's. This is a great book if you have an older house and are looking to create a period-appropriate bath.

I'm a huge fan of old house bathrooms and kitchens, and this book is an absolute delight to look at and read. The pictures are spectacular, the book is filled with them. And there is a lot of great historical information as well. I think this book is especially useful if you are renovating an old house bathroom and need some inspiration or help with tile colors/shapes, fixtures, lighting, and decorative details. But it's also just plain fun to look at. :) This is definitely a book I will pull out over and over again.

This book full of historical accuracy - if that's your passion like it is mine, then you will love this book. It is NOT a "Here's the latest HGTV Craftsman trend" book, it is a book that tells you about original features, tiles, floors, tubs, toilets, etc. Some of these photos are museum-quality representations of an authentic bungalow bathroom. It's a fantastic read and is my favorite design and inspiration source for our upcoming bathroom renovation.

I've owned a bungalow for nearly 40 years and am always looking for ideas for improvements that keep in character of the bungalow style. I already have the other (Bungalow Basics) titles and saw this as an opportunity to pick this one up.

At the time I bought this book, I was having the renovation done of a full 1/3 of my house, including a bathroom. I knew what I wanted but could not convey my wishes fully to the contractor. This book helped me do that and then became something to pick up when I just wanted to dream. You can lose yourself in the past with this book. It is beautiful. Wish I had the hardback.

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