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Tiles may be a trusty waterproof surface, but don't forget about the grout. It's a naturally porous substance, so your tiler will need to seal it when the tiles are laid. To keep your bathroom in top shape, reseal your grout each year with a handy DIY product like Dunlop Grout Sealer, \$11.60, from Bunnings.



'Andromeda Oro' glass mosaic tiles, \$3424/0.95sqm, Bisazza.

TILES

From glittering mosaics to the subtle veining of stone, tiles are an obvious choice for bathroom surfaces. Be sure to check if your chosen material requires sealing: natural stone tiles will, whereas glazed tiles already have a protective, water-resistant coating.

To keep costs down and create maximum effect, play with contrast – this wall of shimmering mosaics looks fabulous against the simple porcelain floor tiles. If you have a small bathroom, keep the look pared-back for the majority of the space and choose one element to feature – showcase your shower, for instance, by lining it with dramatic tiles, or put your freestanding bath centrestage with a lavish backdrop.

Attention-grabbing floor tiles can be just as impressive – remember to use a non-slip option, such as honed stone. >

