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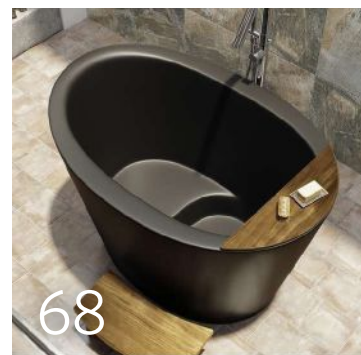
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Metallic accents are trending in the bath, as seen in this elegant bath designed by Sandra Diaz-Velasco, of Eolo A&I Design in Miami, FL. This and other bath trends are highlighted in the Spring Bath Remodeling Report, beginning on page 62.

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**KATE ROOS, PRINCIPAL
KATE ROOS DESIGN — MINNEAPOLIS, MN**

*Designed in collaboration with Terra Firma
River White granite, polished (island, perimeter)*

Although Roos' clients had originally considered quartz - which priced out a bit above budget - when the designer came across this slab of River White granite at her stone supplier, she knew it would be the perfect fit for the Mid-Century Modern, open-concept kitchen.

"They were looking for a countertop material that was a little bit modern," says Roos. "This particular granite has a very linear pattern that lends itself nicely to that design style."

Plus, its coloration - which showcases white and gray veins with cream and white tones - coordinates well with the off-black cabinetry with a touch of blue. "In the end, this granite was not only more affordable, but also more interesting than our initial choice," she says.

Roos accented the island with waterfall edges to enhance the modern look, add interest, help define the space and give it a focal-point presence. Its substantial length offers plenty of work space, while its width allows for additional storage as well as 'breathing room' for the cooktop.

She repeated the granite on the kitchen's perimeter, which mirrors the island's length to give it a bit of a galley feel and add symmetry.



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