

Beautify your bathroom with a bright, revitalizing facelift

Even if it's old and cramped and its furnishings are rooted to the floor, there's much you can do to revitalize and beautify the family bathroom.

When you redecorate your home, don't forget to spruce up this "everyone's room."

Here are some decorating tips which will work equally well for renewing the classically-small, apartment-style bath and its country cousin, the more spacious, private-home powder room:

• Cover walls with a bright, colorful wallpaper. If your bathroom has a window, have the shade made from extra wallpaper to match the walls.

• Hang a fancy shower curtain. Almost any washable material can be used, as long as you protect the "wet side" with a water-proof shower sheet.

• Keep it shining. A clean bathroom is always a pleasure. Protect your family from illness—disinfect and deodorize the bathroom while you clean it with Fantastik® Bathroom Cleaner. Spray tub and basin, floors, tiles, counter tops and other washable surfaces with the foaming bathroom cleaner and wipe off with a paper towel, clean cloth or damp sponge.

In addition to killing staph, strep and other household germs, you'll also help prevent mold and



THIS SPARKLING, FRESH BATHROOM features coordinated, bright print wallpaper and shower curtains. A lush green plant and other decorative touches, such as posters on the wall, can also enhance the atmosphere. To keep the bathroom pleasantly clean, disinfect and deodorize it with Fantastik bathroom cleaner.

mildew growth for up to two weeks.

• Add some decorative shelves. Cabinet space is often at a premium in bathrooms. A few gold- or silver-trimmed shelves will provide extra storage space and lend an elegant look to the room, and you can use them to show off pretty bubble bath, bath

oil and perfume and cologne bottles.

• Cultivate a green thumb... plants look great in any room, including the bathroom. Try a hanging plant near the window or by the sink—just be sure to choose a plant which adjusts well to moisture and that doesn't need a lot of direct light.

TUB SAFETY
The Consumer Product Safety Commission reports that more than 75 percent of all bathtub-shower fatalities were children under five years of age who were not supervised while bathing.

NO CHEMISTRY
Do not mix household cleaning products. When blended, even cleaners that are harmless when used as directed may give off noxious gases (this is particularly true of solutions containing bleach).

PLANTS!
Fifty percent of common garden plants, as well as many wild plants, are poisonous. A single bite of certain mushrooms can be fatal. Caution: children never to taste any part of any plant.

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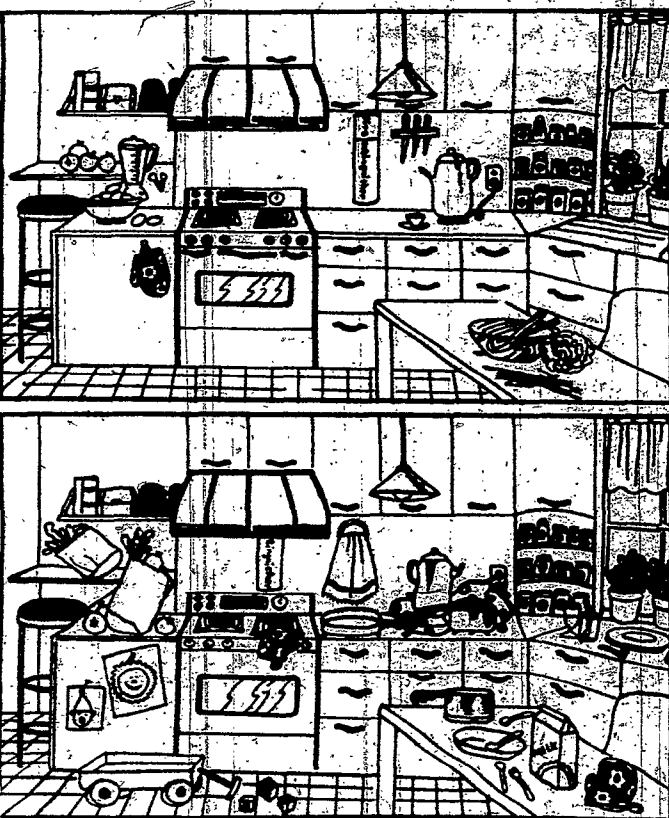
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TO ILLUSTRATE A LIST OF KITCHEN DOs and DON'Ts, Gillette has devised a simple "before" and "after" illustration of a safe kitchen and an "accident prone" kitchen. Due to the amount of appliances and activity centered around this particular room, it's essential to take special precautionary measures to avoid fire and other hazards. For example, a knife rack to safely store sharp cutlery, a Captain Kelly Fire Extinguisher placed not over, but next to the stove for easy access in the event of a fire, and pot holders hung in their place are just a few tips that could spare you a kitchen accident.

- DO keep floor space clean and free from hazardous toys or other objects that might literally "trip you up."
- DON'T use an electric mixer or another small appliance next to a kitchen sink filled with water, where it might slip in and you would be apt to reach for it.
- DO check plugs and cords often for signs of wear.
- DO have a towel rack placed where it should be—by the sink—for easy access to wipe up dripping
- slippery puddles on the floor.
- DON'T toss flammable hot pads carelessly over an electric range where they might start a fire on a burner that has been turned off but is still hot. Place a hook to hang hot pads close to the range so one can be grabbed quickly if necessary.
- DO keep a small first-aid kit in a drawer in the kitchen for easy reach.
- DON'T wait until after accidents happen to tell children the rules on kitchen safety.

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NEXT WEEK:

The Permanent Diaconate is being established in our diocese. The Courier-Journal has been keeping its readers up to date on this important development.

A special report on what the permanent diaconate will mean to the diocese, how it will work, and valuable information for persons considering the call will be included in next week's edition.

The Permanent Diaconate soon will be a reality here. The Courier-Journal will be keeping its readers abreast of developments pertaining to it.



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