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Today's Article: Pour It On

Nothing is more eye-opening than an invigorating shower- and there may be no quicker way to re-energize an ordinary bathroom than with a new showerhead.

It's an easy project that can be done in an afternoon, usually without a plumber's help. Best of all, it's an investment in something you'll use everyday.

BEFORE YOU BUY

If your home's water pressure is low, consider a self-pressurizing or high quality low-flow showerhead that mixes the water with air to boost the spray.

A bell, pan or rain showerhead can be relaxing but may not be efficient for daily showering. Consider pairing it with a standard or water-saving head or a handheld, for daily use.

If you're sharing your shower with people of different heights or physical abilities, consider a handheld or a stationary head on a slide bar or adjustable arm.

In areas where mineral buildup is a problem, it may pay to invest in a self-cleaning showerhead or one with flexible nozzles that allow the deposits to crumble away.

If you're considering an upgrade to a very large showerhead or multispray system, it may be necessary to upgrade your shower valve as well. Consult the showerhead manufacturer or a

plumber.

Most showerheads function fine using the 1/2 inch piping found in most homes, but a multispray shower spa may require an upgrade to 3/4 inch pipe. This larger piping should come all the way from the water heater.

Have a great day.

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