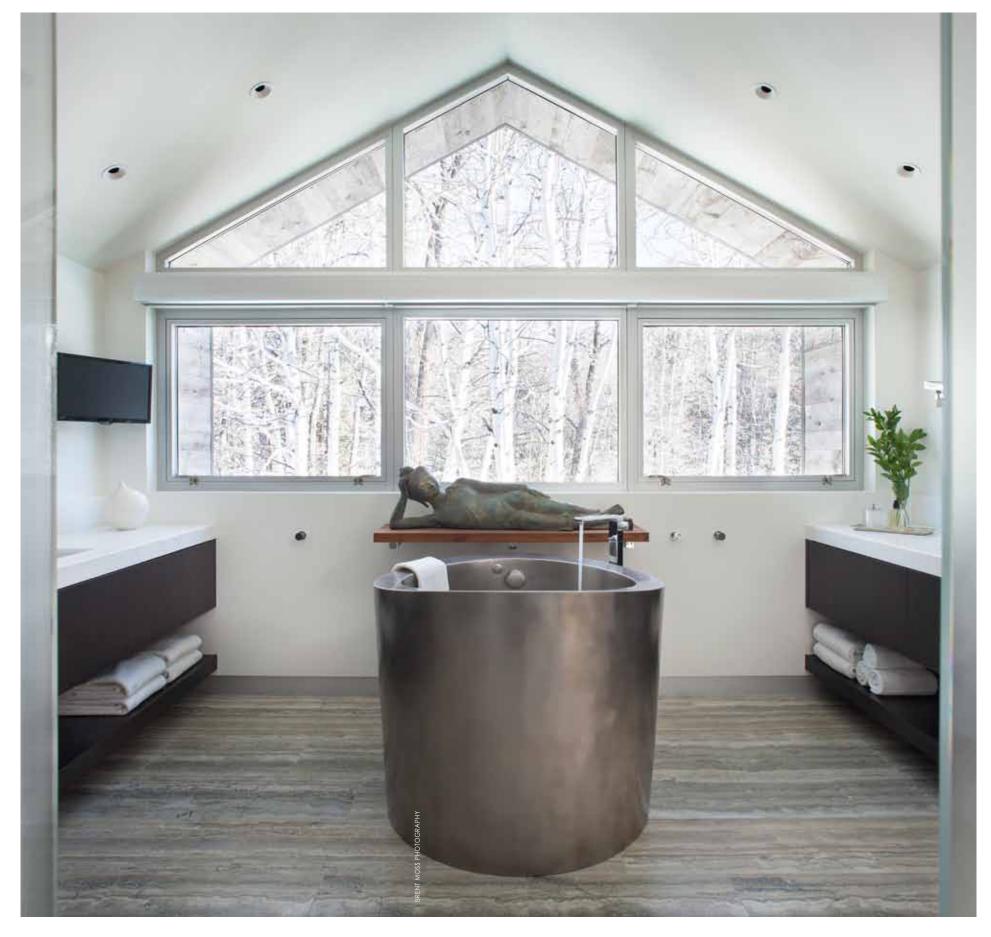
BEAUTIFUL BATHROOMS

A varied mix of inspired design from whimsical to elegant

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fter a day of skiing or hiking, how about relaxing in a home spa? That's what the athletic husband-and-wife owners of this Aspen mountain-home getaway had in mind when they modernized their 6,200-squarefoot, formerly lodge-style abode. Rowland+Broughton project manager Amanda Christianson led a team that extended several wings of the house outward, expanding windows. Says Christianson of the renovation's minimalist ethos, "We peeled away all the ornamentation to elemental forms." Case in point: this 200-square-foot second-floor master bath, framed by a gabled dormer that overlooks aspen trees. Says Christianson, "The owners brought the idea of a Japanese-style soaking tub to us. We crafted the design around that." The tub, by Diamond Spas, is brushed stainless steel. A gray travertine floor and countertops of white Thassos marble complement the timbers visible on the underside of the gable, which are made from reclaimed barn wood. There's also a flat-screen TV (at left), a steam shower and a separate water-closet stall (behind the viewer in this angle). But pride of place goes to one of the couple's favorite art works, a reclining-Buddha sculpture perched on a custom-made teak shelf.

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