

# home sweet home

INSPIRING IDEAS FOR IN AND AROUND THE HOUSE

2016 *Country Living* MAKEOVER TAKEOVER

## Bed/Bath Before & After

In the third installment of our farmhouse fix-up, *Country Living* Style Director Page Mullins and singer-songwriter Holly Williams team up to tackle their biggest challenge yet.



BEFORE

### AFTER ▲

From blah to beautiful! Turn the page to see how Page and Holly transformed the bathroom in this Tennessee farmhouse.

STYLING BY PAGE MULLINS.





**CEILING PAINT:**  
**Black Blue** by Farrow & Ball. **TRIM: All White** by Farrow & Ball.  
**WALLPAPER: Country Living Toile in Green** by Spoonflower. **FLOOR TILE: Cluny** by Granada Tile



PAINT CHIPS AND TILE: DAVID HILLEGAS.

## THE BATHROOM

"I would describe the 'before' as bland and terrible," Holly says. "Everything was old—and not in a charming way."

### WHAT THEY DID: **CARVED OUT MORE SPACE**

The team gutted the room, enlarged the window, and elongated the shower, now covered with 3-by-6-inch white subway tile (Lancaster Bianco; [tilebar.com](http://tilebar.com)).

### PILED ON THE PATTERN

"Holly has a gift of mixing patterns together," says Page. Case in point: green toile wallpaper + a graphic black-and-white tile. The small scale of the playful toile doesn't fight with the floor.

### INSTALLED A CUSTOM VANITY

Holly worked with Omega Cabinetry ([omegacabinetry.com](http://omegacabinetry.com)) to create the perfect base for the Brockway cast-iron sink and Cannock faucets (both from [kohler.com](http://kohler.com)). Sleek Gatco Tavern mirrors and clean-lined Sutton sconces (both from [lampsplus.com](http://lampsplus.com)) complete the space.

### ADDED STORAGE

A new curio cabinet provides a pretty display for towels from the Alexandra Linen Flower Collection ([worldmarket.com](http://worldmarket.com)), chosen by *CL* readers who voted online, and complements the vintage claw-foot bathtub, which Holly found on one of her antiques hunts.





**CEILING AND WALL PAINT:** Downpipe by Farrow & Ball.  
**FLOOR PAINT:** Pavilion Gray by Farrow & Ball.  
**SHADE FABRIC:** Laser in Champagne from King Cotton; kingcottonfabrics.com

**THE BEDROOM**

“There was an awkwardly placed dividing wall, as well as old, smelly carpet and dated green and white paint,” says Holly.

**WHAT THEY DID:** **TOOK OUT THE WALL, REPAINTED EVERYTHING**

Once the wall came down, the space was far less choppy, and a new coat of dark paint reinforced the cohesiveness of the once-divided room. “The

painters thought I was crazy to paint the ceiling, but I wanted the white bedding to really pop,” says Holly. (Camelback Upholstered beds and P5 mattresses, selected by CL readers; available at sleepnumber.com). A starburst chandelier, extra-wide nightstand, and stacked glass table lamp (all from worldmarket.com) add a modern edge to the space.



**CREATED A COZY SITTING AREA**

Although the fireplace doesn't yet work (“It costs a fortune to fix!” Holly says), she created a warm reading nook around it with an antique French leather club chair and assorted flea market finds. Although new, the bar cart (worldmarket.com) blends right in and offers extra book storage, as well as a convenient spot to mix up a nightcap.



**HOLLY WILLIAMS'S COUNTRY HOUSE MUST-HAVES**

**WALLPAPER**

“Some people like to watch TV or get on Facebook. I like to look at wall coverings. It's a high-impact way to add personality to a space.”

**A CLAW-FOOT TUB**

“Taking baths is my escape. I can't wait to soak in my tub once my girls [Stella June, age 2, and Lillie Mae Louise, age 8 months] have gone to bed.”

**SUBWAY TILE**

“I use it in almost all of my renovation projects: kitchens, bathrooms, you name it. Tilebar's Lancaster tile has a worn-in, handcrafted feel to it that belies its very reasonable price tag.”

**CANDLES**

“A staple at my shop White's Mercantile, the lightly musky Forest Fir candle by Linnea's Lights is a favorite, particularly during the holidays. It also hides the less pleasant smells that come with 100-year-old homes!”

**GAMES**

“Nothing beats having friends over and playing Monopoly for hours.”

PORTRAIT, LESLEE MITCHELL. (OPPOSITE PAGE) FABRIC AND PAINT CHIPS, DAVID HILLEGAS.