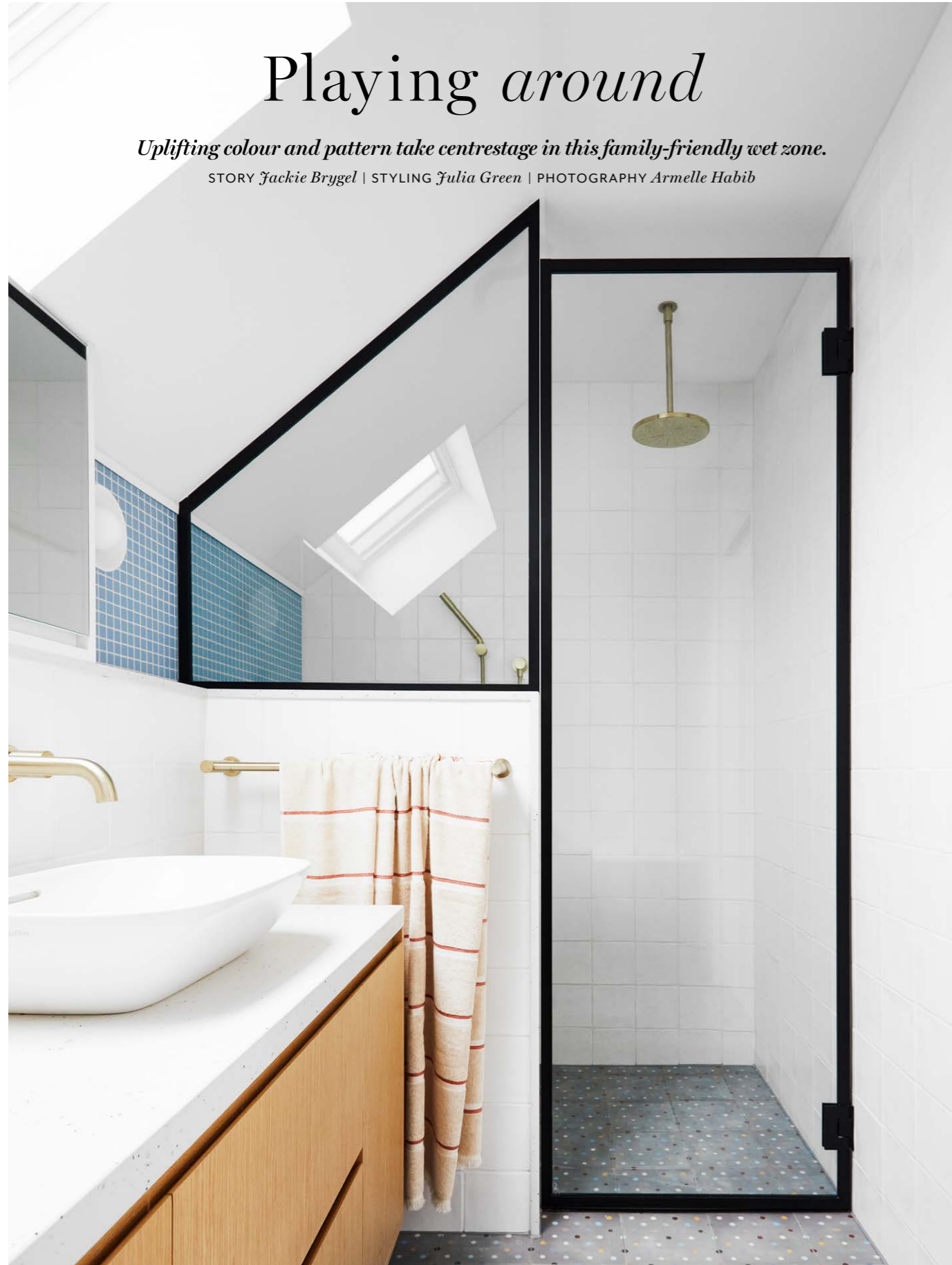


Playing around

Uplifting colour and pattern take centrestage in this family-friendly wet zone.

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There's something undeniably joyful about this family bathroom, part of the inventive rebirth of a heritage home in Melbourne. "The bathroom will mainly be used by the three kids, so we wanted to make it fun and playful as well as functional, but not childish," says interior designer Terri Shannon of Bloom Interior Design & Decoration.

Certainly, the polka-dot floor tiles set a whimsical scene yet provide a "neutral-enough" base for the bathroom that the family won't soon outgrow. The shower wall, clad in sky-blue ceramic tiles, is another focal point, complemented by the surrounding timber joinery and a white Caesarstone benchtop and elegant countertop basins.

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BATHROOM *design notes*

TILES Super Matt White wall tiles, \$88/m² Earp Bros. Inax 'Herning' feature wall tiles in Dark Blue, \$255.20/m², Artdomus. Polka Dot Grey floor tiles, \$149/m², Teranova.

TAPWARE Brodware 'City Stik' basin set in Brushed Swiss Brass, \$833, and 'City Plus' ceiling-mounted shower rose, \$435, Benton's Finer Bathrooms.

BASINS Laufen 'Ino' counter basins, \$1520 each, Reece.

VANITY Custom solid timber joinery. Benchtop in Caesarstone Frozen Terra, \$600-\$700/m² (installed).

TOWEL RAIL Brodware 'City Plus' double towel rail, \$320, Benton's Finer Bathrooms.

BATH Mizu 'Bloc' inset bath (discontinued); for similar, try Posh 'Domaine' inset bath, about \$505, Reece.

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