

Best Powder Room

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Beyond the Sea

Hand-blown glass sconces suggest the glow of the sun sinking behind the Mediterranean Sea in the elegant powder room that Michael Borrelli created for clients in Indian Wells.

"I wanted to bring the warmth of Italian sea life along with the elegance of Old World Renaissance," Borrelli says.

He succeeded on both counts. For the cabinet, he used a golden-brown pau ferro veneer and a band of gold-leaf carvings to complement the etched-glass countertop and glass bowl, which features a frosted rim and etched sea creatures. The mirror is framed in gold leaf.

Juror comment:
Robert Wright: "A fascinating spin with traditional references."

