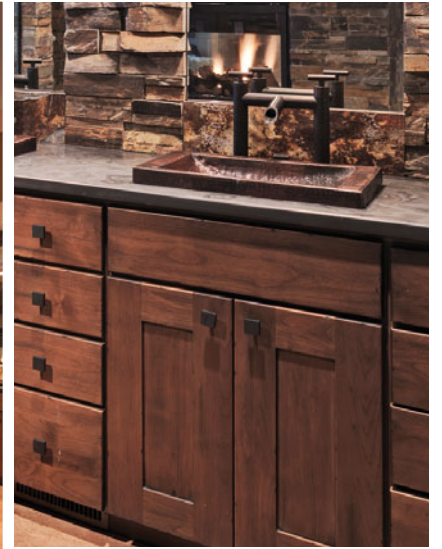


# Raw Deal

Bringing the outdoors in—it's only natural

By Christina Trauthwein

The owners of this new contemporary mountain retreat in Lake Tahoe, CA, wanted a spa-like master bath. To achieve this, designer Marcio Decker, of Truckee, CA-based Home Concepts, aimed to bring the rustic outdoors inside by selecting many natural materials in their raw forms—stacking stones of slate in rich, warm tones line the walls and complement the antiqued copper sinks, black honed slate slabs from Brazil deck the knotty alder cabinetry and the tub surface, and large, 18-in. x 18-in. travertine tiles from Turkey make up the floor and two of the shower walls. In an effort to keep the 13-ft. x 20-ft. space as open as possible, a two-sided fireplace was selected, which connects the master bedroom to the bathroom. “The same materials were used to seamlessly join the two spaces,” said Decker, “while still giving privacy to the bath located just on the other side of the fireplace wall.” ■



## SOURCES

**Designers:** Marcio Decker and Betty Scott—Home Concepts, Truckee, CA, [www.homeconceptstruckee.com](http://www.homeconceptstruckee.com) **Builder:** Paul Griggs—Griggs Construction **Manufacturers:** Stacking stone: American Slate; Sinks: Native Trails; Tub: Zuma; Sink and shower fixtures: Water Decor; Cabinetry: Custom Cupboards; Hardware: Colonial Bronze **Photography:** © Nicholas Rab Photography