



CAPTURING THE ZEITGEIST

At TOTO, we believe in thinking outside the box.

We continuously look for new, innovative ways to improve our products in order to better enhance people's lives.

To do so, a two-way communication is crucial. We welcome the opportunity to challenge ourselves by inviting a rising creative talent to put a fresh spin to our longstanding reputation of excellence in engineering. Our collaboration with Alvin Tjitrowirjo allows us to explore and create new expressions of form that are not restrained by the banality of function.

Alvin Tjitrowirjo's designs exhibit an innate understanding of not only style but also people and their dynamics.

The TOTO Toja series is borne out of our wish to capture the spirit of the times, where design and function can finally emerge as equals.



MEET THE DESIGNER: ALVIN TJITROWIRJO



Indonesian-born product designer Alvin Tjitrowirjo has built a solid and respectable career over the last couple of years. He has distinguished himself from the rest by remaining truthful to the place from whence he came. His choice of materials and his involvement in the preservation of local heritage reflect his love and respect toward the Indonesian tradition. Beyond that, his breadth of work shows that design is more than mere ornamentation; that it can be an integral, interactive part of people's lives.

The TOTO Toja series is yet another manifestation of Alvin Tjitrowirjo's thoughtful and inspired take on good everyday design. We spoke to the designer to learn about the concept behind the series.

How did you come up with the design for TOTO Toja?

Like all designers, I wanted to try something new. For the longest time, the toilet bowl has always assumed the same amorphous shape, and I just wanted to break away from that. I did a lot of research and worked closely with TOTO in order to better understand the history as well as technical specifications behind what goes into making a good, functional toilet. In the end, we decided that the rounded-off rectangular shape would be the way to go. This element is repeated throughout the whole series—from the toilet, washbasin, showerhead and my personal favorite, the faucet. It's edgy without being too futuristic.

It's quite a statement.

I think we can afford to be a little more progressive. People now live in a cleaner, less ornate environment. They're more open-minded and sophisticated. The bathroom is no longer a forgotten nook in the back of the house. Bathrooms are getting bigger and they reflect the owner's lifestyle as much as the living room does.

What were some of the challenges you faced?

We had to build a completely new ceramic mold to produce the design. As we all know, clay bodies shrink when fired at in high temperatures. It took us many tries before we finally managed to achieve the quality we want.

How has this collaboration enriched your understanding of design?

It's a rare opportunity to be working with such an established household name. I am amazed by how precise and thorough the mathematics is. It reminds me that design comprises of more than just visual aesthetics. In this case, the designer becomes more of a problem solver. The TOTO Toja series is in many ways a departure from convention but I believe that it is an apt expression of the times we're living in.



ANDRA MATIN ON BATHROOMS



When I was growing up, the bathroom was considered a vestigial part of the house. A lot of traditional houses didn't even have a bathroom. In the colonial era, the bathroom is situated in the back, in the dirty area. In the 1970s, the bathroom began to gain prominence as people's lives improved. Surely we remember the colorful toilet bowls we used to have at home.

Nowadays, the bathroom occupies a much more integral role in people's homes. It's become cleaner, more open and simplified. The bathroom is no longer an overlooked afterthought. Subsequently, the toilet becomes a showpiece that indicates the owner's status. Just look at the infamous Philippe Starck-designed urinals atop The Peninsula Hong Kong where visitors can view the city's majestic skyline while relieving themselves or TOTO's interactive Neorest that comes equipped with hi-tech sensors and features beyond our imagination.

What was once a clearly demarcated area is now open for interpretation. In my own home, for example, the bathroom area is one and a half times bigger than my bedroom. It's my bathroom and my wardrobe area all rolled into one. There's even a chair and a desk where I can work. My toilet is situated in an open space, directly exposed to natural elements. When you look up, the sky is right above you.

The bathroom has now become a luxury item that complements one's lifestyle. The concept has become much more fluid and the notion of function no longer restrains creative exploration. Architects, interior designers and homeowners alike now approach the positioning and fitting of a bathroom in a completely different light. Alvin Tjitrowirjo's collaboration with TOTO on the Toja series embodies this new direction. The design is simple, streamlined, and much like the chairs he designed, possesses a strong character. It's certainly an exciting and liberating movement to observe and be a part of.

About Andra Matin

Andra Matin is one of Indonesia's most prominent architects. He has designed and built hundreds of structures across Indonesia, defining and raising the profile of Indonesian architecture. He established his firm, Andra Martin Architects in 1988 and has since won a string of accolades including the coveted IAI (Indonesian Architect Association) Awards and The Aga Khan Awards for Architecture and Project Architect. Among his most notable works are the Potato Head Beach Club, Tanah Teduh and Winfred Hutabarat residence.





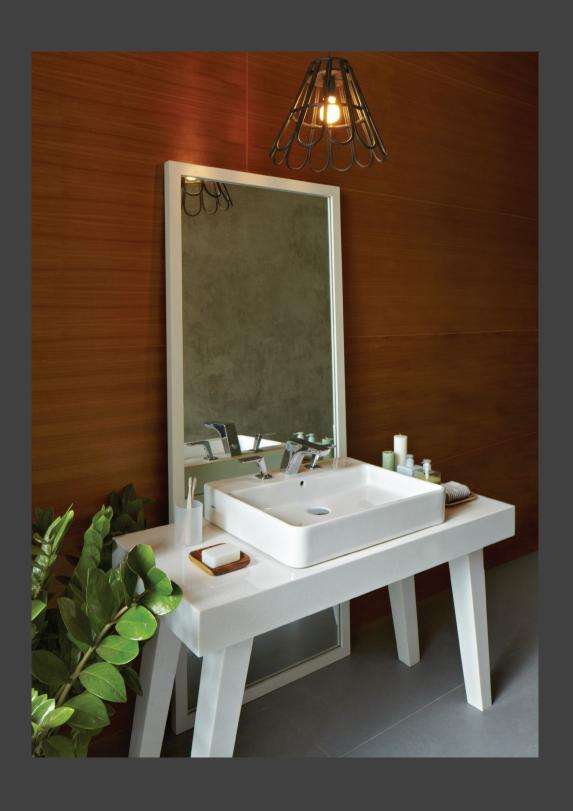


TOJA SERIES

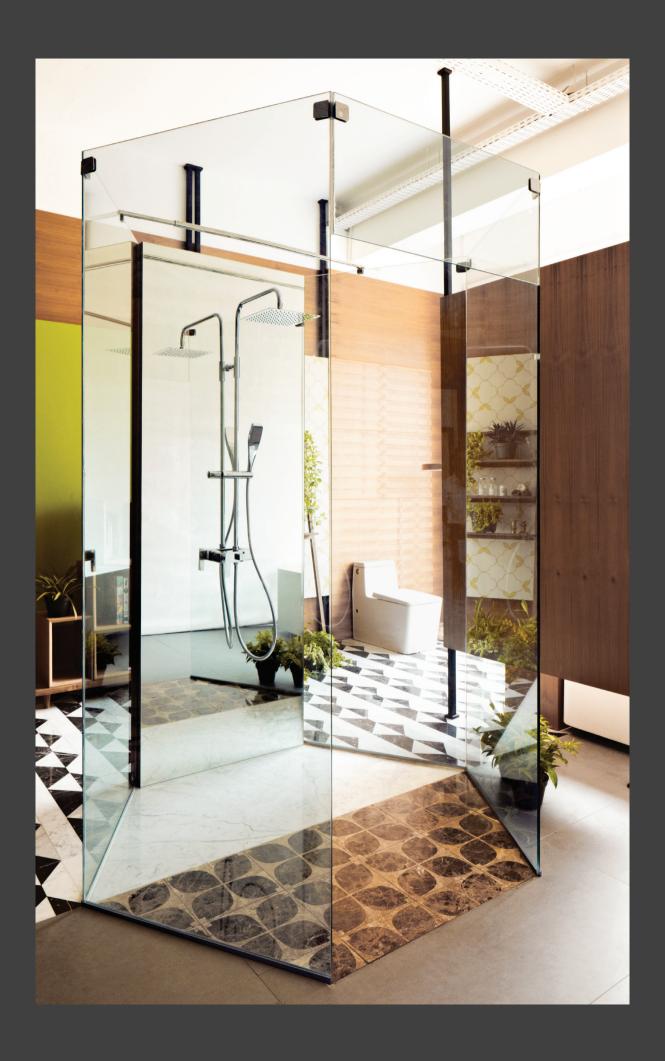
Taken from the ancient language of Sanskrit, the word Toja, which means water, connotes fluidity, clarity and character. The Toja series is an exploration of form and a statement of character. It is a comprehensive and versatile range that caters to the needs of modern, design-driven spaces.















TACTILE TOUCH

The Toja faucets are the cherry on the cake. Its sinuous, streamlined curves perfectly complement the geometric proportions that dominate the range. It is the crown jewel—subtle yet confident. Inspired by the properties of water, it is elegant, sleek and highly adaptable.



TX 115 LT Single Lever Lavatory Faucet With 1½ Pop Up Waste



TX 115 LT Single Lever Lavatory Faucet With 1½ Pop Up Waste





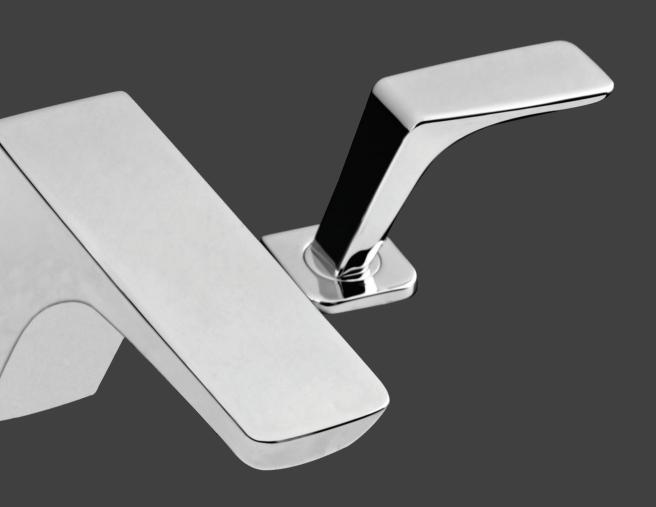


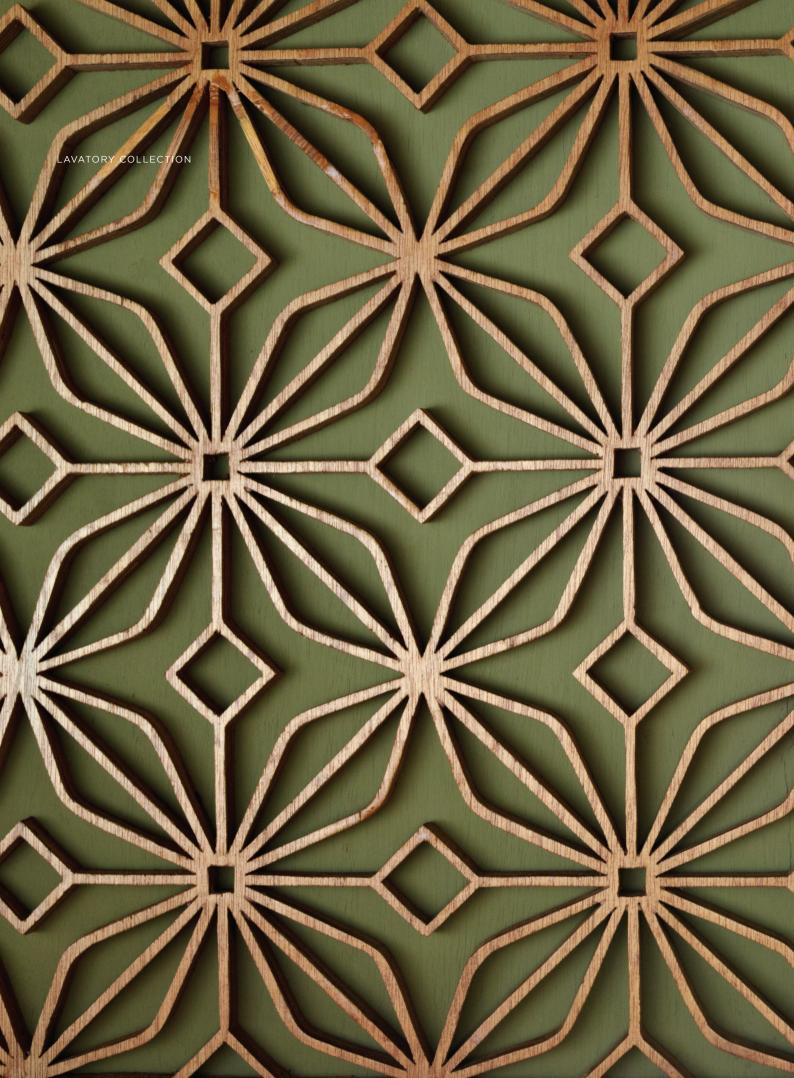
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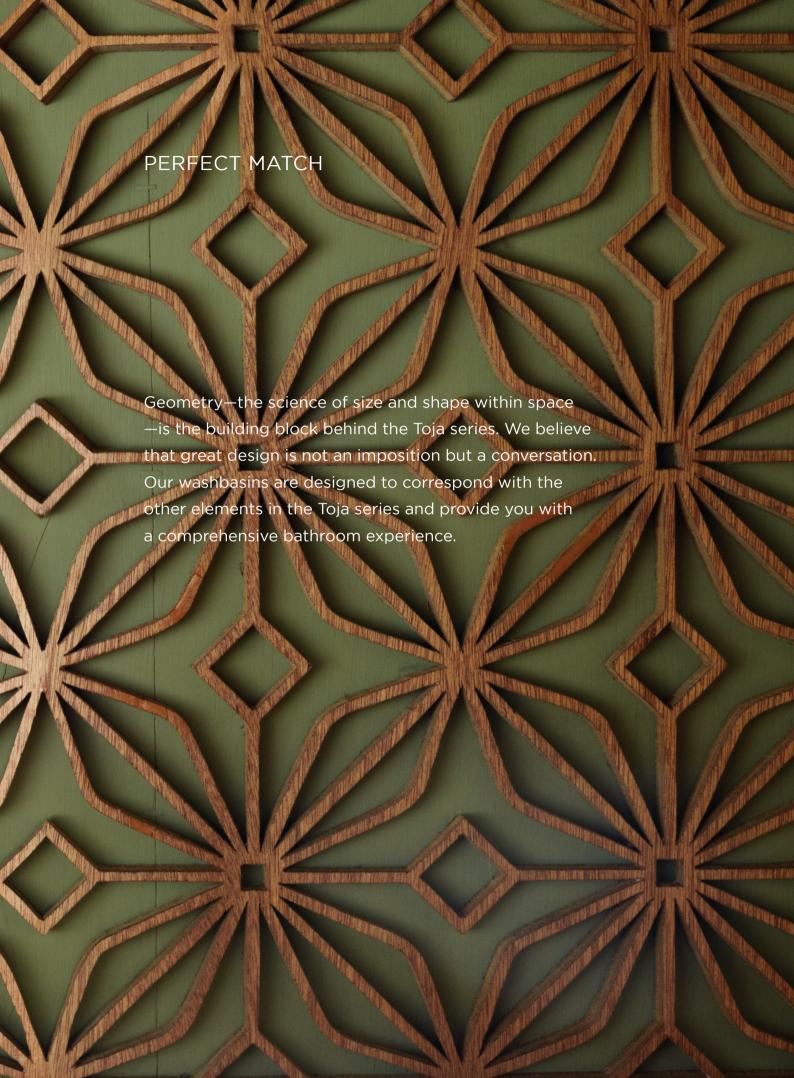


TX 119 LT 8" Lavatory Faucet With 1 1/4" Pop-Up Waste





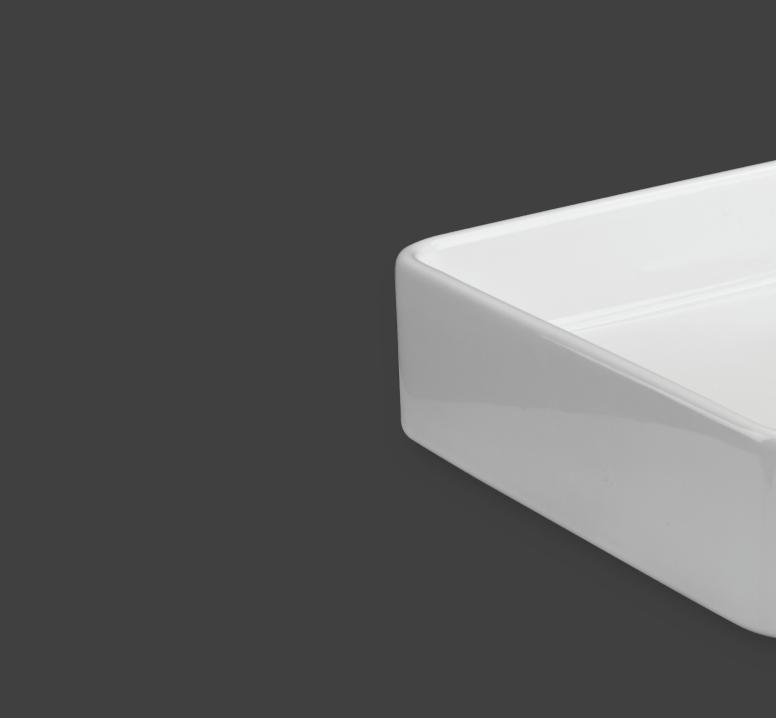












LW 952 J















NEW ORDER

Study the past if you would define the future, Confucius says. In many ways, convention provides us with the blueprint to move forward. The design of the Toja Series might be a departure from convention but it's not wholly unfamiliar. Entrenched within it is the same spirit of adventure and excitement. The Toja series is a leap of faith toward something better and brighter, the promise of the future.

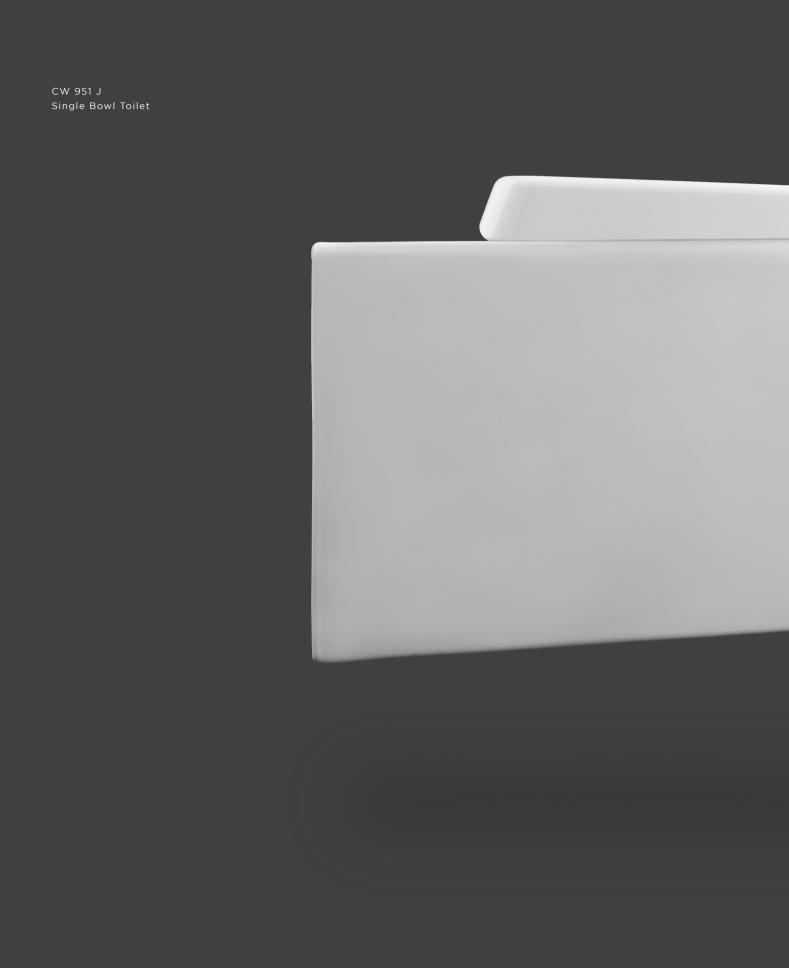






CW 951 J

Single Bowl Toilet



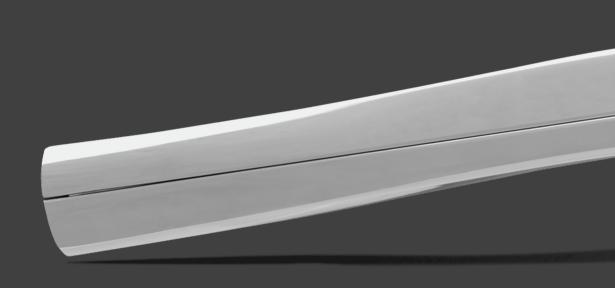


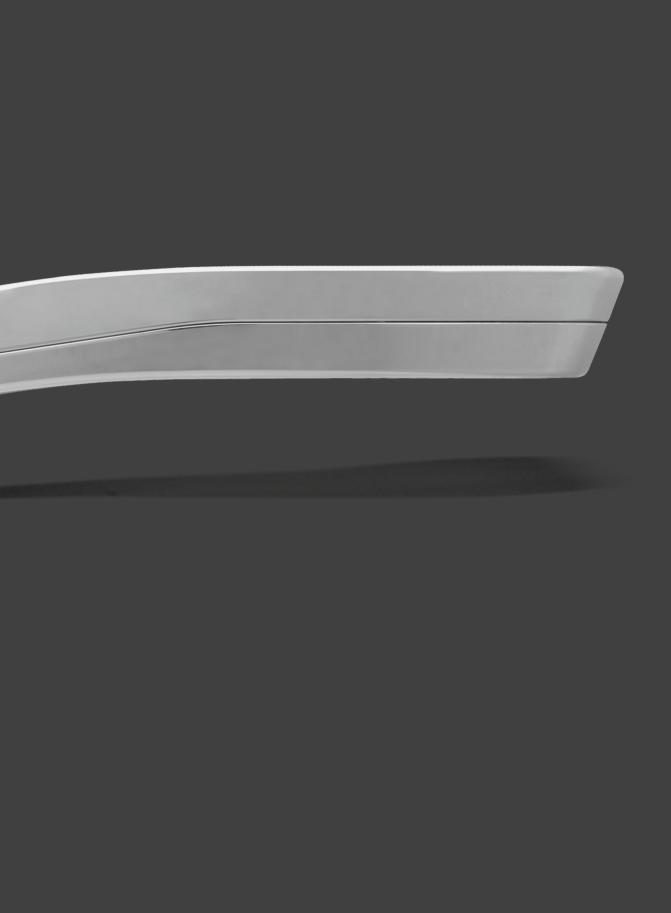


UNTAPPED BEAUTY

Nature is simply unrivaled in its beauty. The Toja series is designed as a tribute to nature's infinite wonders.

Our state-of-the-art shower systems are designed to bring the outdoors indoor, to create a sanctuary where you can always be one with nature.







TX 442 ST Single Lever Bath & Shower Mixer With Diverter



TX 473 ST Thermostat Bath & Shower Mixer With Diverter & Stop Valve

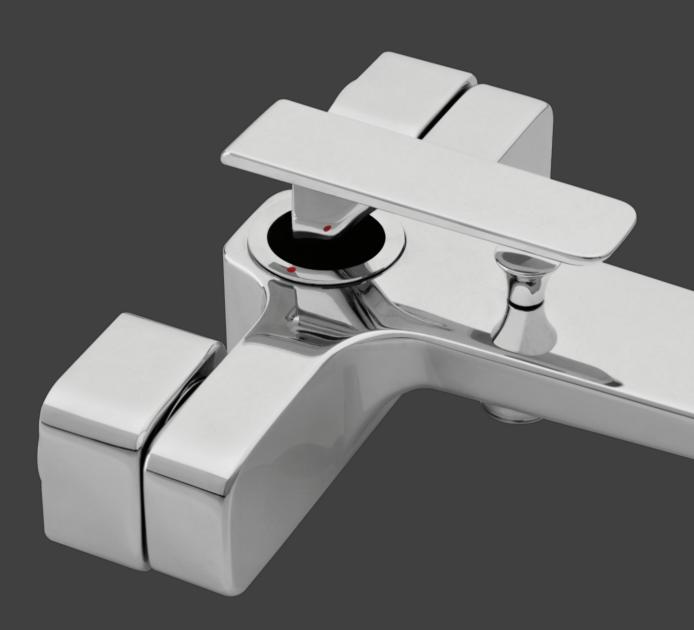




TX 471 ST Single Lever Bath & Shower Set



TX 471 ST Single Lever Bath & Shower Set











TOILET



CW 950 PJ



CW 951 J Single Bowl Toilet

LAVATORY



LW 950 CJ Counter Lavatory Size: 505 x 455 mm



LW 951 CJ Counter Lavatory Size: 605 x 455 mm



LW 952 J Counter Lavatory Size: 570 x 355 mm



LW 953 J Counter Lavatory Size : 705 x 355 mm



LW 954 CJL Counter Lavatory Size: 900 x 460 mm



LW 954 CJR Counter Lavatory Size: 900 x 460 mm

FAUCET



TX 115 LT Single Lever Lavatory Faucet with 1%" Pop Up Waste



TX 116 LT Extended Single Lever Lavatory Faucet With 1" Pop-Up Waste



TX 119 LT 8" Lavatory Faucet with 1¼" Pop-Up Waste



TX 467 ST Bath Filler & Mixer



TX 447 ST 4 Holes Bath & Shower Set



TX 442 ST Single Lever Bath & Shower Mixer With Diverter



TX 443 ST Single Lever Shower Mixer



TX 469 ST Mixing Valve for Bath & Shower With Diverter



TX 468 ST Mixing Valve for Bath & Shower



TX 492 ST



TX 484 ST 3 Way Diverter (1 in 3 out) Available:



TX 452 ST Stop Valve



TX 451 ST Thermostat Bath or Shower Mixer With Stop Valve



TX 473 ST Thermostat Bath & Shower Mixer With Diverter & Stop Valve

SHOWERS



TX 471 ST Single Lever Bath & Shower Set



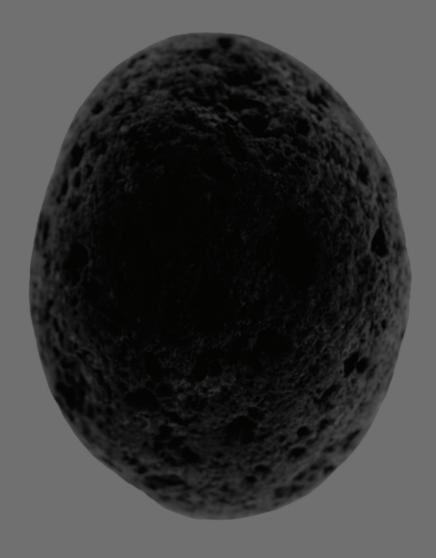
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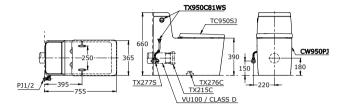


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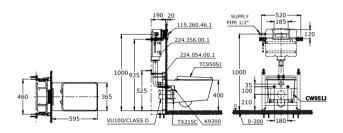


TX 491 ST Fixed Shower Head (Ceiling Type) L:199 mm Size: 250 X 200 mm (Rectangle)



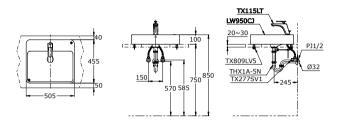


CW 950 PJ One Piece Toilet

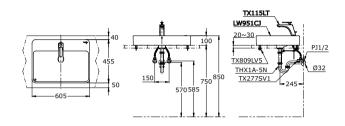


CW 951 J Single Bowl Toilet

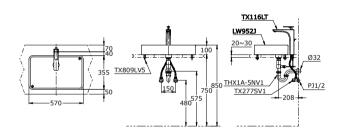
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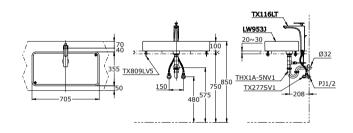
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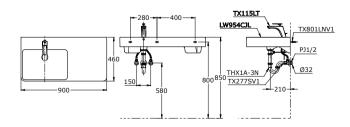
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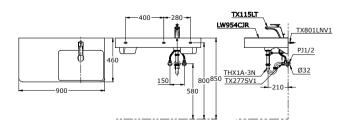
LW 952 J Counter Lavatory



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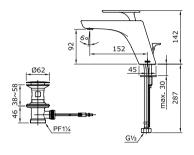


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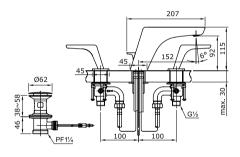


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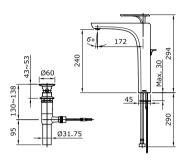
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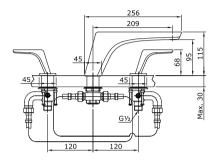
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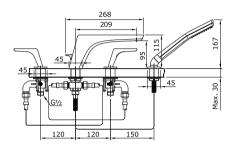
TX 119 LT 8" Lavatory Faucet with 1 1/4" Pop-Up Waste



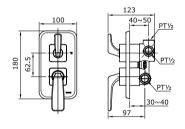
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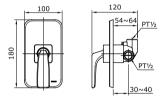
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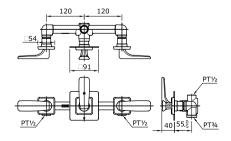
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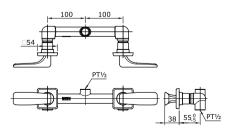
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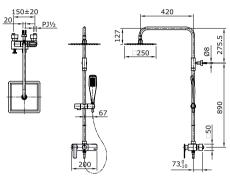
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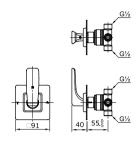
TX 469 ST Mixing Valve for Bath & Shower With Diverter



TX 468 ST Mixing Valve for Bath & Shower

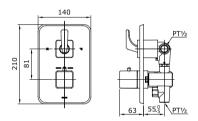


TX 492 ST Shower Column Set



TX 484 ST 3 Way Diverter (1 in 3 out) Available : TX 453 ST

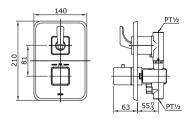
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TX 473 ST Thermostat Bath & Shower Mixer With Diverter & Stop Valve

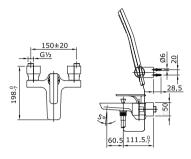


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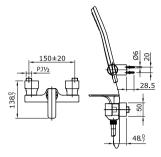


TX 451 ST Thermostat Bath or Shower Mixer With Stop Valve

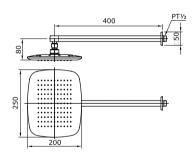
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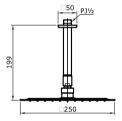
TX 471 ST Single Lever Bath & Shower Set



TX 474 ST Single Lever Shower Set



TX 488 ST Fixed Shower Head



TX 491 ST Fixed Shower Head (Ceiling Type)

TOTO Toja Series

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