

Creating a Custom Glass Shower

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QUESTION




What is the best method for creating a completely custom glass shower enclosure?

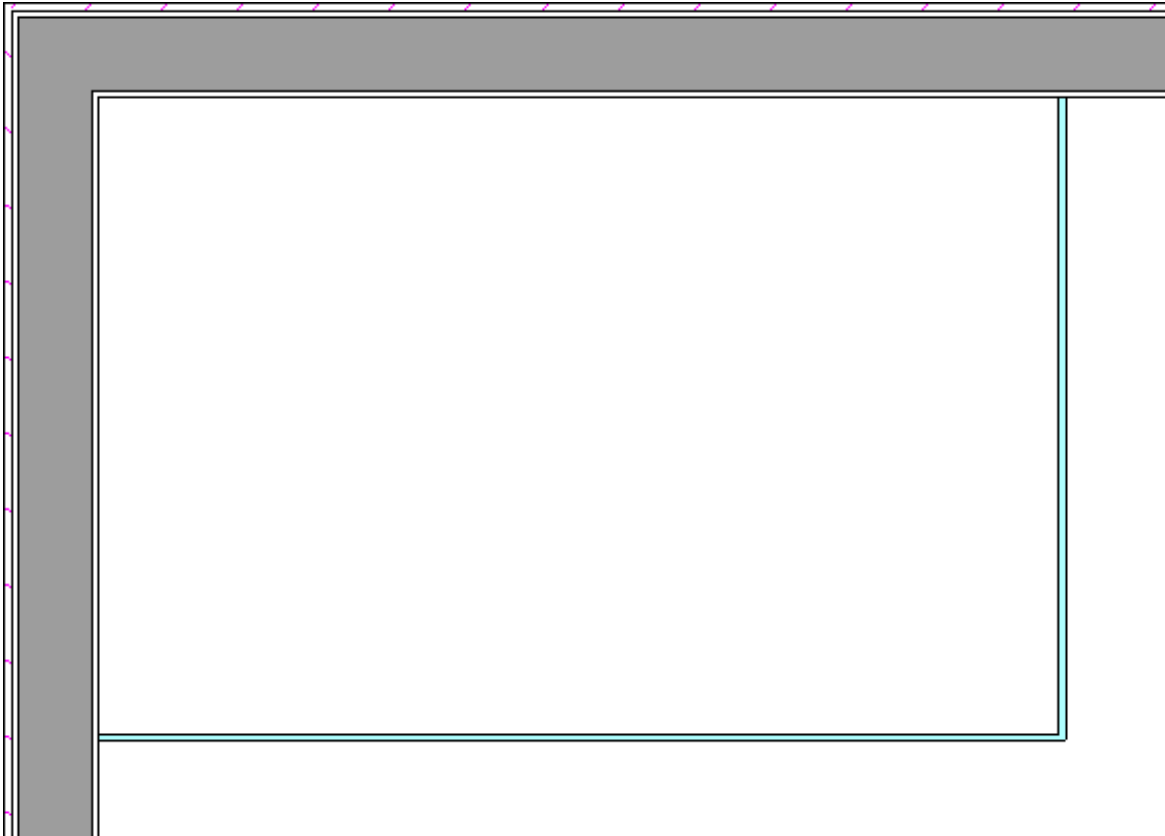


ANSWER

Several already existing shower and bathtub combinations, as well as enclosures, can be located in the Library Browser. However, if you're designing a glass shower that requires custom modifications, it's recommended to utilize the Glass Wall and Glass Shower Door tools instead.

To create a glass shower

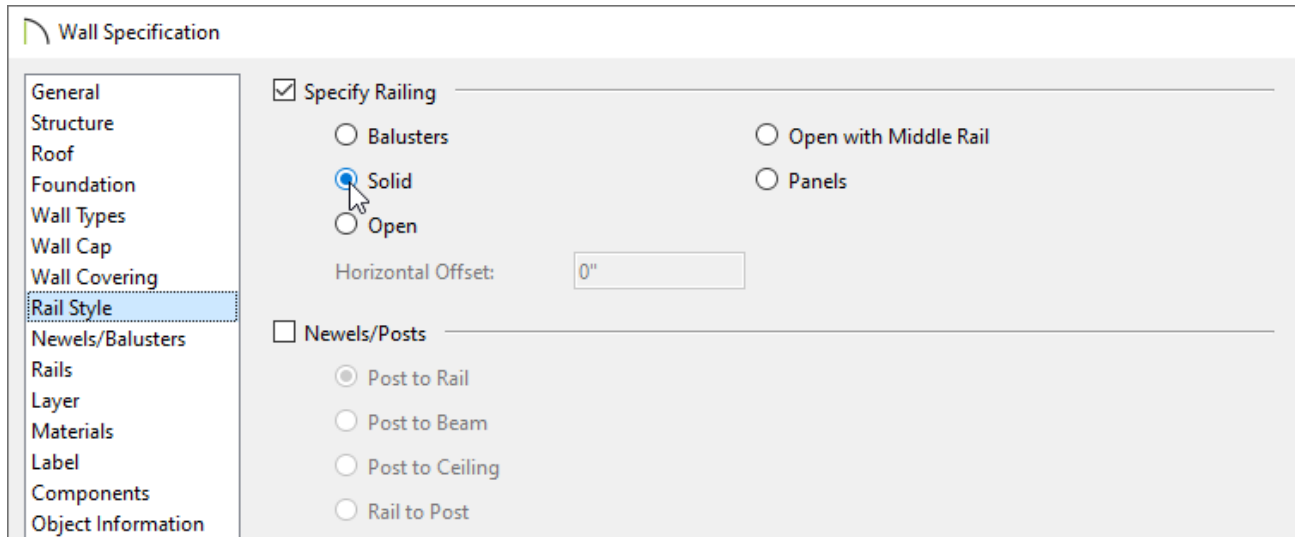
1. **Open**  a plan that you'd like to design a custom glass shower within.
2. Placing focus on the bathroom area, navigate to **Build> Wall> Straight Glass Wall**  or **Straight Glass Pony Wall**  from the menu, then left-click and drag to create as many shower walls as you'd like.






3. Make any additional modifications to the newly created walls, such as their position in the plan, height, or the materials that are applied.

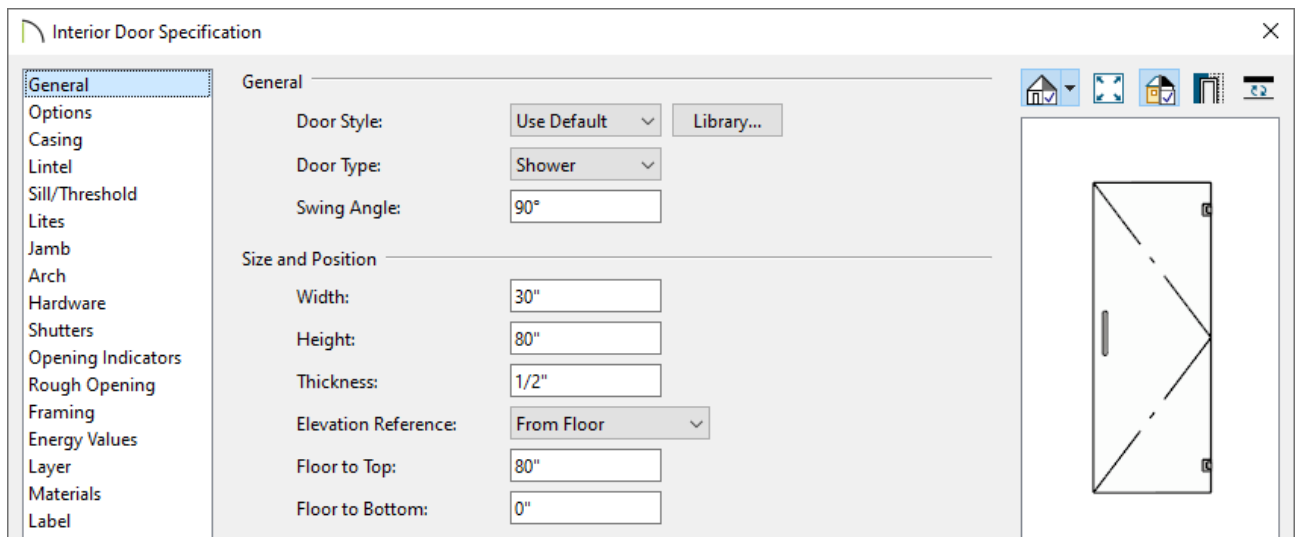
By default, glass shower walls will extend up to the ceiling. To adjust the height of these walls, specify them as **Solid Railings** on the **RAIL STYLE** panel within the **Wall Specification** dialog, then change the **Height** value on the **NEWELS/BALUSTERS** panel to your liking. A wall cap may be present when specifying a wall as a railing. This can be removed by accessing the **WALL CAP** panel.

Note: When working with pony walls, the height of the lower wall is specified on the Wall Types panel, while the height of the upper wall is specified on the Newels/Balusters panel.







To learn more about modifying walls and their various properties, please see the [Related Articles](#) section below.

4. With the shower area established, a door can now be placed. Select **Build> Door> Shower Door**  from the menu, then click within a shower wall to place a glass shower door.
5. Using the **Select Objects**  tool, click on the door to select, then click on the **Open Object**  edit tool.
6. In the **Door Specification** dialog that displays, make any desired adjustments, then click **OK**.



A shower wall niche can also be created inside a custom shower by navigating to Build> Window> Wall Niche from the menu, and clicking along a wall to create the cavity.

Fixtures can then be added to complete the space. Navigate to **Chief Architect Core Catalogs> Architectural> Plumbing Fixtures** within the **Library Browser**  to find faucets, shower pans, drains, and other fixtures to place into your custom shower. Additional shower fixtures and hardware can be found in the various manufacturer and bonus libraries located in the **3D Library** (<https://www.chiefarchitect.com/3d-library/index.php?r=site/library&reset=true>).

Additional tools, such as the **Custom Backsplash**  and **Wall Material Region**  tools can be used to apply decorative tile or other materials to certain areas of the shower, while the **Soffit**  and **3D Solid**  tools can be used to create objects like benches or shower curbs.

Here are just a few of the different shower configurations that have been designed in Chief Architect using the tools and techniques mentioned in this article. These examples, along with several others, can be accessed at anytime from the Chief Architect **Samples Gallery** (<https://www.chiefarchitect.com/products/samples.html>).

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