

**Bath in Grandeur**

In our fast paced world, moments for ourselves are at times scarce. The bathing time is an opportunity to disconnect from the outer world and dedicate it to the self. Our surroundings must be therefore in sync with the same spirit, natural, authentic, and should represent the ultimate tribute to your own privacy. Seek something that is truly, and simply, you.

Mosaics have a character that makes your space transcend the limits of the time and commercial beauty, and have a power to provoke inspiration and admiration that no other solid material has. Furthermore, they represent an unparalleled opportunity to introduce art into a typically art-unfriendly environment such as the bathroom walls.

This very simple and elegant design captures the essence of a Tuscan feel. The earthy colors and leaves growing from solid ground give, in a very unique way, a sense of freedom and "back to the basics". It is a remarkable execution of a bathroom mosaic application.



**Mosaics are an exceptional way of adding complex décor patterns to humid areas**

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**Making Custom Mosaics so Easy...**

Have you ever wished you only had an architectural element, so personal and unique, integrated into your design, however, time constraints and complexity of the undertaking made you lose your hopes? One of the key purposes of Gnosis is to simplify this customization process for you so that coming up with a custom mosaic represents for you a pleasant and streamlined project.

Even if you only have a general idea of what you want, or if you have a pretty defined idea and are looking for an outstanding implementation, you can meet with our design team and come up with a feasible plan in one session. Gnosis can then prepare for you the drawings and materials samples for approval and that's it. Your mosaic will be hand-crafted to your specifications.

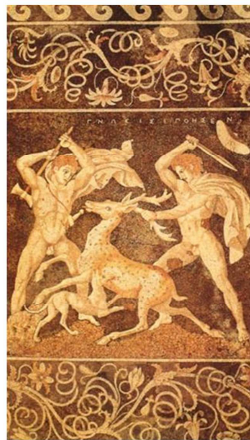
**Join us:  
September 28th  
At the Gnosis Studio.  
Join us for an evening of  
wine, cheese and mosaics**

**PRIVATE RECEPTION AT THE GNOSIS STUDIO**  
[come and join us for a glass of wine and an informal presentation]

**Thursday, September 28, 2006**  
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**Hellenistic Period – Unique Pebble Mosaics**



The Stag Hunt, House of I.S, signed by Gnosis. Pella, Macedonia – Late fourth century BC.

Pella was founded around 400 B.C. as the new capital of Macedonia by King Archelaus. The city was the birthplace of Phillip II and Alexander the Great and it grew in size and prestige at a pace with the Hellenistic Empire.

The pebble technique, or the use of water worn stones, was the only available at the time to create mosaics. During the peak of the city's political and artistic influence around 274-239 B.C., the mosaicists pushed the art of the pebble mosaic to its uttermost limits in the search for dimensional effects, depth and complexity.

The Stag Hunt, signed "gnosis ephoesen" (Gnosis made this), is the first known signature of a mosaicist, indicating the risen status of the art form. Around, a border of extraordinary richness; scrolls spring from acanthus clumps in the angles, and unfurl along the sides in a series of spiraling tendrils ending in a wide variety of flowers and leaves, in an overall three dimensional design.

The high pictorial quality of the Pella mosaics is unique; no later pebble mosaic even begin to approach it and its complexity would not be seen by the world for at least three hundred years until the development of the Opus Vermiculatum (minute hand-cut tessera) technique from Alexandria.

Today Gnosis can help you add that touch of sophistication and comfort in applications as small as a backsplash, or as large as a formal bathroom floor. Please contact us to help you define your own.

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