

## Todays Carpet Trends

### Going beyond beige

Long ago, when the choices of carpet were limited to basic beige, the designers tended to treat it more often than not as a neutral background for rooms. These days, with numerous patterns, textures, and colors to choose from, the carpet is quickly emerging as the focal point in many interior designs.

Although you may think the need for neutral carpet has faded away, it hasn't, as Berber is still an excellent choice. Unlike the plain choices of the early 1990s, the versions of today offer more pattern and texture. Even the traditional types of Berber carpet offer more visual interest with more extreme differences in pile being cut thicker, with deeper loop textures.

Color being sprinkled against a neutral background will add interest and dimension while helping to mask spots and spills. The flecks of color are now appearing against tan, beige, and cream type backgrounds as well as in other neutrals as well.

### Colors and textures

The major shift in new products is going towards layered color and softer texture in carpet. The combination of pattern and texture will always be a popular choice simply because it minimizes soil and vacuum marks. The other advantage here is that the color and texture offer a more distinct styling and plenty of fashion appeal as well.

The new products are rapidly changing the perception of carpet as not only being a background to showcase other furnishings to the possibility that the carpet can become a focus for design as well.

### Construction

The new manufacturing capabilities have produced several new looks with carpets that are constructed with cut and loop yarns. Some examples include bows, swirls, lattices, plaids, pin dots, and several others.

By taking advantage of these choices, you can add a great deal of interest to the room and in sequence with the florals, stripes, and other patterns on windows and furniture. The carpet pattern and texture will also increase the perception of quality and value in the carpet, and will add a much broader element to the surroundings as well.

These days, carpets can do more than just protect your sub floor. They can add a new level of comfort and warmth to your home, with literally thousands of choices available. Carpet is easier than ever to clean as well, making it more than worth worthy of being in your home.

With several different trends and new and exciting colors to choose from, the carpets of today can make your house come alive. The carpets will add new meaning to your rooms, making you appreciate your home even more. If you have older carpet in your home now, you shouldn't wait another minute to upgrade. Once you take a look at all of the choices you have, you'll want to get that new carpet in now - as your floor with want to thank you as well!

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