

Will you marry me?

Process of home decoration even when your walls and floors and doors are ready can be still quite energy consuming. However, one thing is certain: the main criteria we should always keep in mind while choosing the elements of our home decoration is: "how long will this or that piece remain here?"

And surprisingly the most "tricky monkey" in all this kaleidoscope of elements is a rug. It's role in interior design should never be underestimated as it's truly a very powerful design tool whether it acts as an artwork for the floor or simply provides a complementary background for the other decor.



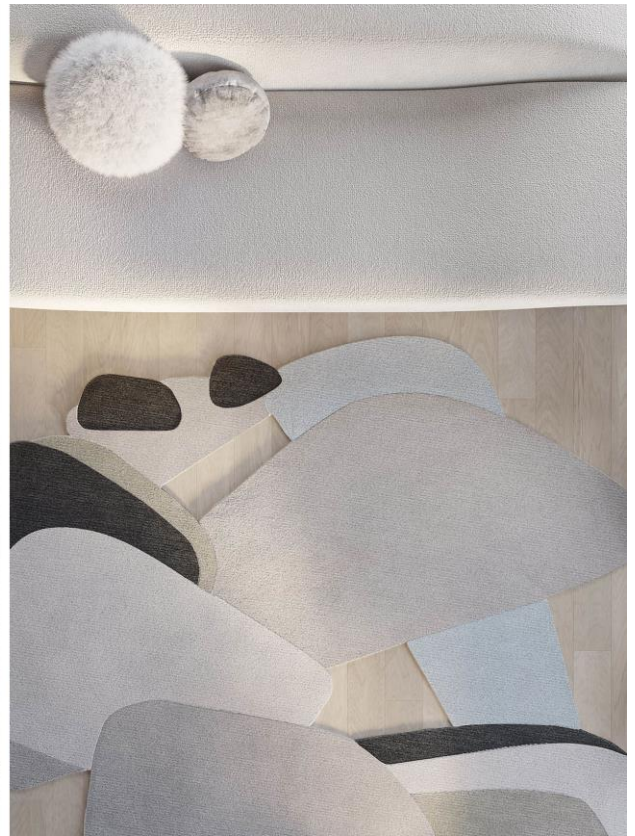
Be very careful while choosing a rug for your residence. In spite of visible simplicity of the process it can become very tough, not only talking about a process but rather about the result as the rug rightly chosen may live in your home for years and become an unquestionable part of you and your home interior, while the wrong one will serve as a daily reminder of the money you wasted — and the money you'll have to spend if you want to replace it.



Deciding which area rug is right for you involves several key considerations.

First thing to look at is the size. Here essential thing is to understand which effect you would like to achieve. If you are limited in space and would like to visually increase at maximum the area of the room, chose the rug that will cover the entire floor without leaving any open-to-eye areas. In case when situation is not so dramatic the rug can be smaller than room size however be careful not to fall into the same trap as majority of designers – if it turns to be too small, the proportions of your interior will be broken. In this case ideal width of the floor on the edges is about 20-50 cm.

If you prefer open spaces than there is no better ally in zoning process than a rug. Here you can be free choosing colors, patters, sizes, just make sure they are in harmony with the rest of decoration. One small detail to pay attention to: if there is some element of furniture standing on the rug make sure it is there with all available feet – you don't want unstable items in your space not talking about esthetic background.



We should not also limit ourselves with rectangular shape. Those times are already behind. Nowadays designers play with shapes and some latest collections of Tapis Rouge for example offer very untraditional shapes that don't come up to your mind just like that but once placed into the interior dissolve in its harmony and style.

Once you are done with decision concerning the size and shape of your rug – style comes up. At this stage please don't limit your imagination with vintage eastern or classic European rugs. Fashion goes forward and trend-setters are there for us with advanced ideas. Even world-famous auction houses that used to choose for their collections exclusively old and vintage pieces remaining in a strong believe that only those rugs will fit into interior full of antiquities, now turn towards modern rug ateliers like Tapis Rouge for instance who from their side engage themselves in creation of specially stylized collections. Those combine classic design that does not contradict subtle taste of mature antique dealers on one hand and guarantee exceptional quality and sustainability of newly created piece that will serve for decades.



When the size and style are chosen do not forget to pay attention to the height of the pile. Here the rule is very simple high-pile rugs are best for areas with less traffic, while common areas where majority of your visitors will appear should rather profit from a low-pile rug. Trust, it turns to be quite a sustainable solution especially when it comes to cleaning and timing.

Color and pattern of the rug go together and here everything is about balance. If the style of your room decoration has vivid colors and reach palette of materials that the rug should rather play a "grounding" role, balancing all this variety and bringing it to one denominator. While if there are plain colors and shapes prevailing in your future interior – the rug with distinctive pattern could give a vivid breath to the space and make it truly unique.

Anyway, whatever color or pattern or style you chose remember that you'll have to live with it day by day so... choose wisely.