

HOMES & GARDENS®

OCTOBER 2015
£4.20

DECORATING WITH A TWIST

FAMILY HOMES WITH A DIFFERENCE
INDIA HICKS' ISLAND STYLE
CREATIVE UPHOLSTERY IDEAS

**LIGHTS, LAMPS
& PENDANTS**
*This season's
smartest designs*



LONDON DESIGN FESTIVAL
*Our 11-page guide to
this year's unmissable
interiors events*

*Make a
fresh start*
EXCITING FABRIC & WALLPAPER TRENDS



Luxurious to the touch with an amazing depth of colour, wool is not only beautiful, but it's also flame retardant and sustainable, making it an ideal choice for the home.

With this in mind, we asked four leading designers to create a scheme using wool floorcoverings and fabrics to showcase the versatility of this natural material

WOOL IN THE HOME

1 Malvern fabric in Linen, 100% wool. £99m. Zoffany. **2** New Malabar carpet in Flint, 100% wool. £29sq m. Cormar. **3** Ulster Velvet carpet in Dovecote, 80% wool. £68sq m. Ulster. **4** Barefoot Ashtanga carpet in Lotus, 100% wool. £63sq m. Alternative Flooring. **5** Grain du Bois carpet in Natural, 80% wool. £95sq m. Timorous Beasties at Brintons. **6** Charlotte armchair in Peregrine Stripe, 100% recycled wool. £630. Sofa.com. **7** Mist, flat emulsion, £41 for 2.5 litres. Zoffany. **8** London Stripe carpet, 80% wool. £26.46sq m. Hugh Mackay. **9** Jura fabric in Lavender/Moss, 100% wool. £74m. Sanderson. **10** Langtry fabric in Linen/Pebble, 80% wool. £77m. Sanderson.



COUNTRY HOUSE

BY VICTORIA MEALE

Delicate paisleys and textured plains in a soothing palette of colours create a supremely elegant feel

1 Kashmir fabric in Linen/Blue (for curtains), 100% wool, £99m, Zoffany. 2 Urban Collection carpet in Light Chrome, 100% wool, £36.28sq m, Thomas Witter. 3 Moreau sofa, from £3,780, Pinch Design. 4 Lanark fabric in Slate Blue (for chairs), 73% wool, £85m, Zoffany. 5 Tinto fabric in Indigo/Stone (for sofas), £111m, Zoffany. 6 Swill bench, £595, Sebastian Cox. 7 New Malabar carpet in Chalk, 100% wool, £29sq m, Cormar. 8 Iconic Chevron Helix carpet 1533, 100% wool, £58.70sq m, Alternative Flooring. 9 Wilton Panache carpet in Chalk, 100% wool, £123sq m, Crucial Trading. 10 Dome hanging lantern, from £2,160, Jamb. 11 Queenstown Awning carpet 6611431, 100% wool, £39sq m, Ulster. 12 Malvern fabric in Duck Egg (for cushions), 100% wool, £99sq m, Zoffany. 13 Cottesmore fabric in Linen (for lampshades), 70% wool, £90m, Zoffany. 14 Eggplant and 15 Fountain Green, matt emulsion, £39 for 2.5 litres, Sanderson. Moodboard design, victoriamealedesign.com.



3

1

5

6

2

PENTHOUSE

BY KARINA GARRICK

A blend of cutting-edge furniture,
muted plains and a hint of pattern offers
a tailored look that will never date

7

1

14

15

13

8

12

11

10

9

1 Byron Plain Wools fabric in Duck Egg (for chairs), 80% wool, £59m, Sanderson. 2 Tailor fabric in Eggshell (for curtains), 80% wool, £77m, Sanderson. 3 Rosebery fabric in Lichen (for Roman blinds), 85% wool, £99m, Zoffany. 4 Portland fabric in Cocameli and 6 Portland fabric in Eggshell (for sofa cushions), 80% wool, £77m, Sanderson. 5 Malvern fabric in Antique (for sofas), 100% wool, £99m, Zoffany. 7 Wing sofa, £9,428, Flexform at Interdesign UK. 8 True Velvet carpet in Platinum, 80% wool, £60sq m, Brintons. 9 Nirfea coffee table, £2,976, Poltrona Frau at Interior Supply. 10 Finepoint carpet in Calico, 80% wool, £57.50sq m, Brintons. 11 Barefoot Bakram carpet in Chakra, 100% wool, £63sq m, Alternative Flooring. 12 Moloko carpet in Arctic Wolf, 100% wool, £109sq m, Crucial Trading. 13 Ara armchair, from £1,697, Porada at Chaplins. 14 Cottesmore fabric in Indigo (for lampshades), 70% wool, £90m, Zoffany. 15 Raw Umber, flat emulsion, £41 for 2.5 litres, Zoffany. Moodboard design, karina.garrick.com

CHAMPIONS OF WOOL

We profile some of the flooring and furnishing brands that celebrate the beauty of wool



ALTERNATIVE FLOORING alternativeflooring.com.

Style, authenticity, originality and innovation are just a few of the factors that have ensured multi-award-winning Alternative Flooring is a CoolBrand, an accolade bestowed by a panel of experts and the general public. The company's design-led mix of modern and classic carpet, rugs and runners embraces natural texture, bold pattern and vibrant colour. For creatives, there is the "Make Me a Rug" online service, while for eco-lovers, there are

gorgeous natural-fibre carpets in sisal, seagrass, coir and jute, not forgetting the beautiful Barefoot – a deep-pile, undyed wool carpet, which is hand-woven on traditional looms. For those at home with pattern, Quirky B wall-to-wall broadloom carpet features collaborations with British designers Ashley Hicks, Margo Selby and now Ben Pentreath. These patterned wools have craft heritage, too, being made on looms in Salisbury, which has a rich carpet-making tradition.

alternative
flooring



BRINTONS brintons.co.uk.

William Brinton first began spinning woollen yarn for carpets in Kidderminster in 1783 and just over a hundred years later, in 1890, Brintons patented the Axminster loom that revolutionised the production of carpet patterns. It has been a Royal Warrant holder since the 1950s, which was also when the company perfected the Brintons blend of 80 per cent wool and 20 per cent nylon for softness with strength – a ratio it still uses today. Brintons

actually develops its own looms to enable its creative output and its latest high-definition looms can weave patterns of great depth, including the vibrant pixelated designs by Cristian Zuzunaga. Other new products include the spot, houndstooth, point and gingham designs that make up the Padstow collection, large-scale, dramatic pattern produced in collaboration with Timorous Beasties, and warm Abbotsford and Abbeyglan Plaids.



Brintons



CORMAR CARPETS cormarcarpets.co.uk.

Supplying affordable wool twist, wool loop and easy clean polypropylene carpets for over 55 years, Cormar Carpets is one of the UK's leading manufacturers of tufted carpet, specialising in plains and textured designs. Established in 1956 by Neville Cormack OBE, the company remains independently owned, with Neville's wife, Betty, chairperson, and son, David, marketing director. Based at two sites at Holme Mill and Brookhouse Mill in Bury,

Lancashire, Cormar still manufactures all of its products in the UK, and uses British wool in more than half of its wool ranges. The company has recently updated its Natural Berber Twist, which incorporates 14 natural flecked shades, including fashionable greys and contemporary beiges. Manufactured using 80 per cent pure new British wool, 10 per cent nylon and 10 per cent tuftbond polyester, the range is available in two weights: Elite 45oz and Deluxe 55oz.

Cormar



CRUCIAL TRADING crucial-trading.com.

Choose from more than 75 designs in wool, plant and mixed fibres at Crucial Trading, a company founded 27 years ago and now well-known for its trendsetting and natural products made of seagrass, coir, sisal, jute, and New Zealand and British wool. With its contemporary plains, stripes and a variety of textures, Crucial Trading is definitely not the home of traditional floral or swirling pattern and offers the opportunity to create your own rug or

runner using the company's Rug Builder service. Renowned for creating innovative and diverse floor coverings, Crucial Trading's latest eye-catching collection is Wool Fabulous. Made from 100 per cent wool, the graduated-pile depth of the design has a luxurious feeling underfoot with a unique textural finish. This bold and striking chevron design (shown) is available in five colourways and two scales. Wool Fabulous is part of the Laneve collection, which is traceable back to individual farms.

Crucial Trading
CRUCIAL TRADING