# **Wool Carpet FAQs**

Are you considering getting <u>wool carpets</u>? When it comes to carpeting options, wool is an excellent choice. Get answers to all the frequently asked questions about wool carpet here so you can make an informed decision.

# How does wool differ from synthetic carpet materials?

- In contrast to nylon, polyester, and other synthetic carpet materials, wool is a natural and eco-friendly product.
- It lasts longer than synthetic carpets and can be easily dyed virtually any color.
- Wool carpets will typically cost around twice as much as synthetic options.
- Won't harbor any allergens or dust mites.



#### What are the different types of wool carpet?

• Different types of wool carpet include cut-pile, velvet cut-pile, pattern style, tip shear, plush, textured plush, and berber.

#### How long does wool carpet last?

- When properly maintained, wool carpet can last for up to 25 years.
- Since wool fibers are shaped like springs, the material retains its shape and wears longer than other materials.
- The color will also resist fading from sunlight for several years.
- Wool Berber carpet, which is made from looped fibers, lasts longer than cut-pile styles.
- Wool carpet retains its shape and wears better.

## Features & Use

#### What are the advantages of wool carpet?

- In addition to being a natural, long-lasting, and eco-friendly material that can be dyed any color, wool carpet is also:
  - Soft and comfortable
  - Regulates humidity
- Dirt-resistant
- Resistant to weight compaction
- Flame-retardant and resistant to melting

#### Where can I install wool carpet?

- Wool carpets can be installed in bedrooms, living rooms, family rooms, offices, and home theaters as well as in hallways and on staircases.
- Since the material is prone to absorb moisture, it is not recommended that you <u>install wool carpets</u> in areas that might get wet such as basements, entryways, or hightraffic areas.



### **Care & Maintenance**

#### How should I clean my wool carpets?

- To keep your wool carpets clean, you should vacuum your floors regularly and thoroughly.
- Have your carpets cleaned professionally every one to two years.
- For cut-pile, use an upright canister vacuum and a rotating beater brush. For shag or Berber, use a suction-only vacuum to prevent fraying.
- Blot spills right away with an absorbent cloth, and keep a wool carpet spot removal kit on hand.

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#### How can I make my wool carpets last longer?

- To extend the lifespan of your wool carpets, you can get them professionally cleaned once every year or two.
- Wool is very absorbent and can hold up to 10 times its weight in water, so it's crucial that you keep it dry to prevent mold and mildew.
- Moths and their larvae feed on the keratin in wool, but this can be avoided by treating the material.

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