

# Care advice: WOVEN RUGS

All rugs retain their appearance and shape for longer if you remove dirt and stains regularly. If you have a light, single-colour rug you will naturally need to clean it more often than a darker, patterned rug. Shaking or beating a rug can damage the warp, so we recommend that you vacuum and air your rug instead. It is also a good idea to use a rug underlay to prolong the life of your rug and prevent it from slipping on any type of floor.

#### Vacuum frequently

Effective vacuuming is the easiest and most environmentally friendly cleaning method. It is also the most economical. When you vacuum regularly you remove all the loose dirt and dust.

### Rotate the rug

To get a more even exposure to sunlight and wear, we recommend that you rotate the rug regularly.

#### Remove stains

For best results, remove stains immediately. With dry stains, we recommend scraping. Begin from the edge of the stain and scrape towards the centre. Take care not to damage the fibres.

Remove wet stains by laying kitchen roll on the stain. Then use warm water and a cloth or sponge. Dampen the stain, soak up the water, then repeat the process until the stain is gone. Be careful not to wet the rug too much, as this can cause woven rugs to shrink and lose their shape.

Do not rub the stain, as that makes it more difficult to remove, and can also damage the fibres. On greasy and other difficult stains, you can use a

ph-neutral, bleach-free cleaner. Sponge thoroughly to remove all traces of the cleaner, so that the fibres can regain their natural properties. Residual cleaner can cause allergies.

See Kasthall's stain guide for more information on how to remove various types of stains.

## **Professional cleaning**

We recommend that the rug is cleaned by a professional cleaner, using the extraction method on a flat surface. The quantity and temperature of the water will depend on the material. Good ventilation during the drying process is essential. Shrinkage will be about 3–5%.

Kasthall's rugs are not to be machine-washed or dry-cleaned.

#### Flame resistant rugs

Rugs impregnated with a flame-resistant agent to meet specific fire standards can be supplied to order. Impregnated rugs must not be washed in water since that destroys the flame-resistance. If the rug is washed in water, it must be re-impregnated to maintain flame-resistance.

For instructions around re-treatments of rugs, please contact your local Kasthall representative or e-mail info@kasthall.se

Contact us if you are unsure about how to look after your rug or if you have any questions.

