

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

How to Make Your Bedroom Yours

(NAPSA)—Choosing a carpet today can be a creative experience. Years ago, colors and textures were much more limited. In the 60's and 70's, for example, many carpets were rust and green shags, and most of your neighbors probably had the same exact carpet as you.

“Today, no color or color combinations are standard,” according to Vickie Gilstrap, Vice President of Color and Design at Mohawk Industries, Inc. “Homeowners want to reflect their personality and lifestyle. It’s all about using what you like; making a personal statement.”

So how do you choose a carpet to fit the style of your home? If your bedroom is small, you’ll want a light-colored carpet to open up the space. Larger bedrooms can accommodate darker colors, which bring in a room. Patterned carpet can be used everywhere, but large patterns are more appropriate for larger rooms.

“The recent popularity of using a combination of hard surfaces, like hardwood and ceramic tile, and carpet together in a home allows for coordinating colors to be used in the different bedrooms of your home. This is something that was unheard of 25 years ago,” added Gilstrap. “Hard surfaces offer a break in carpet, but be sure to follow the natural room and wall divisions in your home. Coordinating colors will create a décor that flows.”

When shopping for carpet, it’s a



good idea to pick up a sample and take it home because fluorescent lighting in the showroom causes variation in color. If you bring carpet samples home, you will be able to match the colors with your furniture and accent items. You will also be able to see exactly how lighting at different times throughout the day affects how the carpet color appears. If you have a very sunny room, it’s wise to purchase carpet that has a good color-fast rating.

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