

# Five Tips to Keep in Mind While Shopping for a Hand-woven Carpet

Hand-woven carpets can add a touch of luxury to your home, making it warm, beautiful, and inviting. However, choosing the right carpet can be tricky, especially if you're not familiar with the features of an authentic carpet.

In this ZirakCarpet article, we've compiled five tips that will help you shop for a hand-woven carpet like an expert.

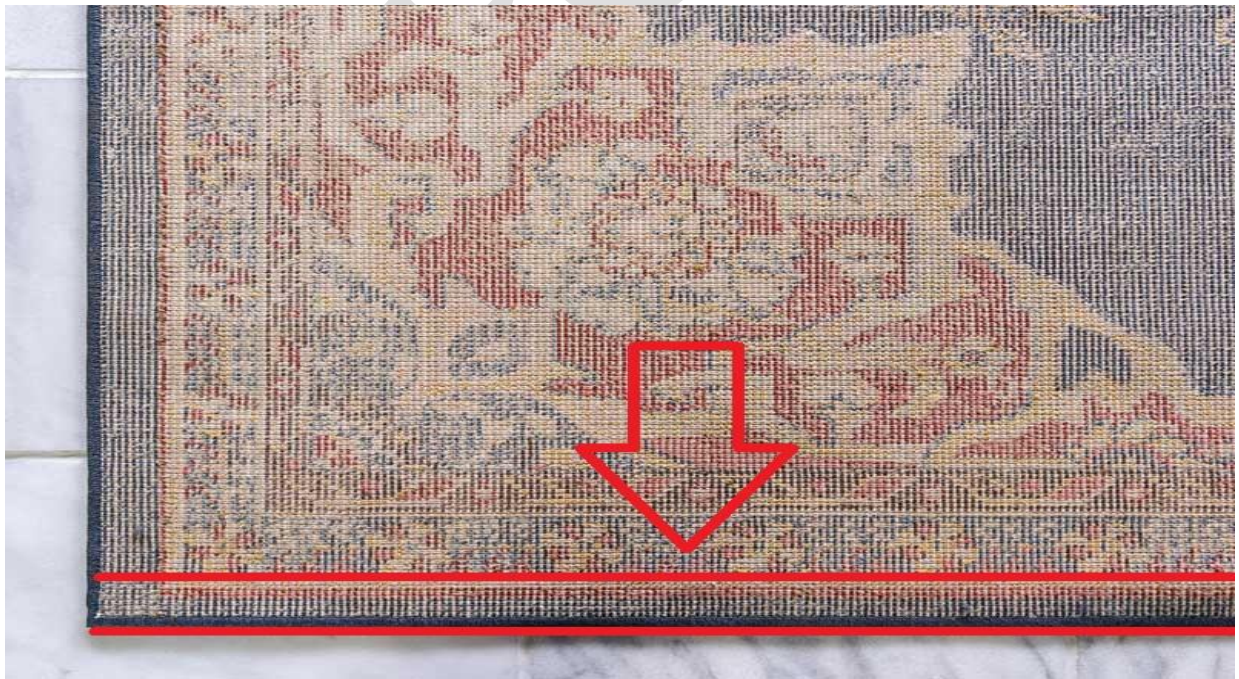
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The back of a hand-woven carpet features uneven, rough, and irregular tiny knots, which is a result of the entire weaving process being done by hand. In contrast, machine-woven carpets feature even knots that create an almost artificial harmonious pattern. By inspecting the back of the carpet, you can easily differentiate between a hand-woven and a machine-woven carpet.

look at the pictures below



Hand-woven carpet



Machine-woven carpet

### **Pay attention to the carpet's colour:**

Colouring is another important aspect to consider when purchasing a hand-woven carpet. Before making any payments, try rubbing a damp white cloth on the red or navy blue-coloured sections of the carpet to see if the colour comes off. Unless the colour has been fixed on the carpet, you will have a discoloured piece of cloth on your hands. In such a case, there is every possibility you are looking at a rotting carpet and you should look elsewhere for your purchase.

### **Trust your instincts:**

Don't base your purchase solely on the carpet's price. A temptingly cheap carpet may seem like a good bargain, but it may lack the quality and texture you desire. The truth of the matter is that a carpet's cheap price might sound like a good idea only on days of hardship, every other day you are constantly reminded of the utter lack of connection that you have with the carpet.

Always trust your instincts and choose a carpet that resonates with you. If you can't find what you're looking for, you can even order a custom design and pattern for an extra sum.

### **Consider the carpet's material and texture:**

The texture and material of the carpet are crucial depending on the place where you intend to use it. For instance, bright-coloured or silk carpets may not be the best choice for places with a lot of foot traffic.

Such carpets are ideal for places where there is low footwork so that they can enhance the space.

### **Check the back of the carpet for signs of damage:**

To ensure that you purchase a high-quality carpet, it is important to examine the back of the carpet for any signs of damage.

Darned sections are usually on the edges and feel rougher than other areas of the carpet.

Additionally, one can tell a carpet's state by examining its back; if the back of the carpet is too stiff and reacts to folding, like cardboard breaking, it may be a sign that the carpet is rotting.

By keeping these tips in mind, you can make an informed decision when shopping for a hand-woven carpet.

**It's also worth noting that if you purchase a carpet from us, you need not worry about any of the above concerns since we only deal in authentic premium quality carpets**