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Grain du Bois carpet,  
col Platinum,  
80% wool/20% nylon,  
£89.99 sq m, Timorous  
Beasties collection,  
Brintons.

## 2 Back to nature

'Pared-back designs with natural elements feature a lot this year,' says Jodie Hatton, Textile Designer, Brintons. 'This wood-grain effect is a nod to nature and enhances the carpet's cosiness. Our collaboration with Timorous Beasties was a perfect fit, as its style challenges convention and a woven carpet highlights these intricate details.'



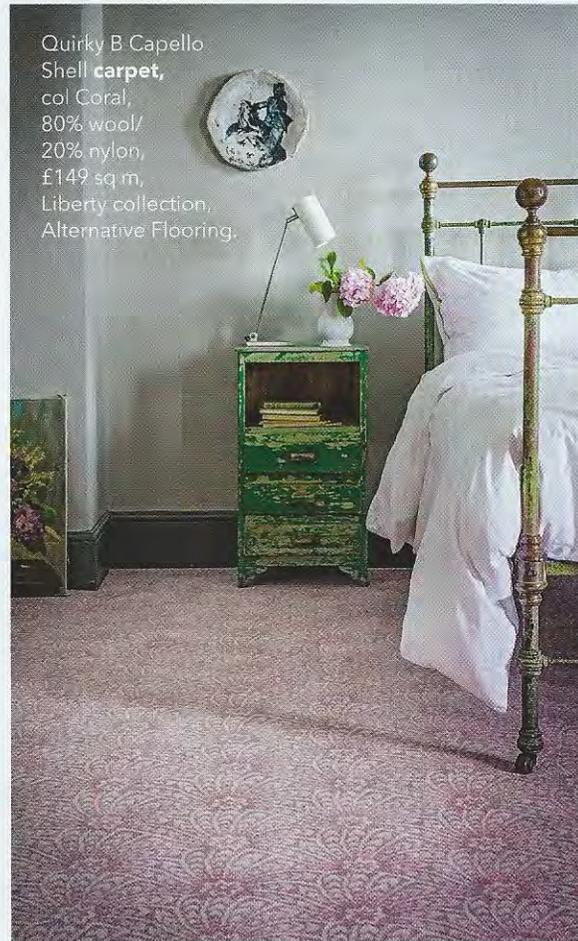
Bouclé Neutrals  
Sloane carpet,  
col Steel,  
50% wool/  
50% polyester,  
£25 sq m,  
Cormar Carpets.

## 3 Extend a warm welcome

'The hallway is the first thing people see and it can influence how they view your whole home,' says David Cormack, Marketing Director, Cormar Carpets. Using the same carpet throughout gives a feeling of space and helps to add warmth to draughty country properties. This range has three co-ordinating designs – stripe, plain and textured pattern. A smart stripe could lead on to either of the other two – all are complementary.'

## 4 Create history

'Liberty is a great British brand with iconic patterns that have never been used on flooring before,' says Lorna Haigh, Head of Creative and Marketing, Alternative Flooring. 'Our company shares this history of British craft and has woven four of the most desirable Liberty prints as carpets and bespoke rugs, all made in the UK on Axminster looms. This charming heritage design, with its subtle symmetry and tonal shades, is a creative choice for a relaxing and comforting wool carpet in the bedroom.'



Quirky B Capello  
Shell carpet,  
col Coral,  
80% wool/  
20% nylon,  
£149 sq m,  
Liberty collection,  
Alternative Flooring.

*Tip* When choosing a carpet, go for one with as high a wool content as possible. Carpet is one of the best ways to celebrate the wonder of it. The hard-wearing fibres have a natural spring that resists flattening, and their oils and structure shield against dirt.