

# **Dos and Don'ts of Finding a Rug to Fit Your Space**

While finding a rug that fits your style, it is equally important that it fits the space. Here are a few guidelines to assist you in finding a rug that will look great in the room or space that it will be placed.

## **LIVING ROOMS, FAMILY ROOMS, DENS**

DO set your furniture where you think is best for the room in living rooms, family rooms and dens. Measure the open space up to the sofa and chairs, making sure that when seated, both of your feet should be on the rug.

DON'T "float" a rug in a room.

DO anchor your rug to the furniture.

DO be sure to get the appropriate padding for each surface if you are placing your rug over hardwood, tile or carpet.

## **DINING ROOM**

DO use your dining room chairs to help you measure what size rug you'll need. Set up your dining room chairs away from the table with the amount of space you would need to sit down. Then measure across the length and width of your table taking the measurement to the rear of each chair leg. Add 8 inches to this total measurement. This will give you the minimum size rug needed.

## **BEDROOM**

DO allow 3 feet on both sides if the rug is under the bed.

## **GENERAL**

DON'T place a rug in a room so that it ends in the middle of the doors or archway openings.

DO allow about 8 inches of exposed floor around the baseboards on all sides when using a rug to cover most of the floor in a room. More than one rug is acceptable.