

A lesson in carpet choices

To assist you in choosing the best carpet for your home, not only should you consider style, texture and colour, but you will want to compare the features and benefits of the various types of carpets and common fibres.

Carpet is a major purchase and its performance (how long it retains its like-new appearance) will relate to what you buy and how you use it. Consider where the carpet is to be installed; ask yourself questions such as: Is it a high-traffic area? Is there direct access to the room from the outside? Is this an activity centre for children and pets in the home? Will the carpet be in the path of direct sunlight? Is there likely to be dampness at floor level?

The combination of carpet fibre and construction play a big role in performance characteristics. Consider the features and benefits of the different carpet fibre options when deciding which is best for you:

Nylon is the most popular, most wear-resistant, resilient and durable carpet fibre. Nylon has an ability to resist soiling, offers great colour options and usually has been treated for stain resistance. Resulting from the latest manufacturing technology, new soft nylons have been recently introduced in the market.

Polyester is noted for its superior stain resistance and for its luxurious softness to the touch when used in thick, cut-pile sax-onies. Polyester is easily cleaned, has excellent colour clarity and retention and is perfect for bedrooms and low traffic areas.

Olefin (Polypropylene) is very affordable, strong, resists wear, static electricity, and provides superior stain resistance. Carpet made from this fibre is notably colourfast because the colour is added dur-

ing fibre production. Many Berbers are made from olefin fibre and are an economical choice for basement rooms, family rooms, kids' bedrooms, and home offices.

Wool, although less popular in North America than other parts of the world, more expensive and less soil/stain-resistant than the synthetic fibres, is noted for its softness, bulk, luxury and performance.

Besides the choice of fibre, the quality of carpet can be enhanced by the way the fibres or yarn is twisted, heat set, and by the density of the tufts in the construction. Pile height or ounce weight of a carpet may affect perception of quality but is really a matter of personal choice. These factors do not, in themselves, without construction consideration, affect durability. The density of the tufts refers to the amount of yarn in the carpet and the closeness of the tufts or loops; the denser, the better the durability. Twisting refers to the number of times a carpet tuft is twisted. Tightly twisted fibres are very durable and perform well in high traffic areas. Heat-setting is the process that sets the twist by heat or steam enabling prolonged resilience over time.

For more information and a description of the different types of carpet available from cut pile to loop pile to Berbers to friezes, visit www.yourhomestyle.ca.

"The rule of thumb," says Leslie Beaumont of Beaulieu Canada, the country's largest manufacturer of carpet, "is to buy the best carpet you can afford, and have trained professional assistance to recommend the right underpad, to measure and to install your new floor fashion and you will be happy with your investment for many years to come."

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Glen Williams: 9 Confederation St.

~180 ft Frontage Credit River!



Spectacular 3bdrm, 3 washroom, 3 car garage on gorgeous 5.45 ac parcel with ~180ft frontage on the Credit River! Inviting foyer. Den. LR (natural gas FP) o/l stocked pond with island!

NEW



Erin: 3bdrm in estate subdivision, 2.6ac

NEW



Curb appeal! On gorgeous mature landscaped 228' x 450ft lot in secluded estate subdivision, West of Erin, North of Wellington 124 Rd. **Original owner.** No pets. Non smoking. Kit with pocket door, plate rail & skylight. Walk-in pantry. MF family rm with natural gas FP & w/o to quiet, private patio. MF laundry rm with access to outside, basement & garage. Whirl tub. Natural gas hi-eff furnace(97) & FP(02). Excellent well. 200 ampere service. 5 min to golf in Erin, 5 min to Calerin Golf Course; 10 min to the ski hills in Belfountain. \$439,900

NEW



East Garafraxa: 5bdrms, 50 acres

Swim-in Pond



Fabulous Owen Sound ledge rock & brick home on ~50 ac overlooking pond & hills to West. Large foyer; high ceilings; huge Family rm with FP & walk-out to large deck; LR(den) with FP & walk-out; formal DR; 5 bdrms (2 with ensuite); 5 washrooms (2 with whirl tubs); library & 2 finished recreation rooms. 3 car gar & 2 bdrms built with insulated concrete forms & radiant heat. Black Walnut trees on 30 ac at the rear. Swim-in pond. Min to: grade school in Marsville, Belwood Lake, Hillsburgh & all amenities in Orangeville. \$749,000

90 Acres



Picture perfect, REPRODUCTION!!! 4 bdrm, 3WR, "Early Canadiana" home o/l twin ponds, set far back from a quiet road on 90 rolling acres. ~25 ac of mixed bush with stand of hardwood trees & ever flowing stream at the rear. Trails to a high ridge with panoramic views. Pine plank floors. New greenhouse kitchen o/l pool. Excellent well. Inground pool & cabana. Bank barn in excellent condition (recent floor & electrical) presently used for sheep. New 4 car garage. Near Ballinacree, less than 12 min to Georgetown GO

Erin: 90 ac farm (barn, pool, garage)



Mun water & nat gas! Granite, hardwood & ceramic flrs. Foyer with granite flr & oak staircase with open risers & twin balconies. Open concept LR, raised piano rm & DR. Kit w brkfst area o/l sol & Fam rm w cofferred ceiling & gas FP. **Huge MBR w opulent ensuite & w/o.** Low "E" vinyl windows. 1000+ft TREX deck w spa. Landscaped.



Inglewood, Caledon: 5bdrm, 1.5 acre

Overlooks Huge Pond



Miss: Unique! ~\$100K in upgrades. 9' ceilings; 3 sided brk FP; hrwd & ceram flrs; crown moldings; open concept. W/o from kit to 3 tier deck o/l huge pond & landscpd fenced yard. Prof fin theater rm.

BARZOTTI KITCHEN!



NOT A DRIVE BY \$249,900!

This is not a drive by. Features a gorgeous Barzotti kitchen, huge private treed backyard, hardwood floor, updated baths, 2 gas fireplaces +++. Call **Elizabeth Doell*** to view this great home. 03-516-30.

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Lovely in-town building lot. Overlooks treed ravine. Lot size 40' x 150'. \$94,900. Call **Elizabeth Doell*** for more details. 03-527-VL

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2 superior apartments are now available in a newly renovated 4 plex. All suites have been completely renovated and feature private access, gas fireplaces, privacy balcony or porch and access to your own yard. Located on a quiet street walking distance to downtown, park, and laundry facilities.



NEW

60ft lot



Attractive, brilliantly transformed into classic home with covered front porch & 2+ car insul gar with work bench area. 60' lot. 5 bdrms, MF family rm, fin rec rm. Recent: verandah; 2+ car gar; iron & wood fences; windows; vinyl siding; rear patio, landscaping; furnace, hot water tank, water softener; brdlm; kit; refinshd hrwd; 2pc; shower, etc. \$337,900

Georgetown: 5 bdrms, 2 gar on 60ft lot

Zoned M1 Outside Storage



VTB with 30% dnpymt. \$975K

Erin: 2 Hi-Tech indus facilities, 14,400 sq ft (~800 sq ft office), 1.37 ac. Crane rails for 3 ton. Infrared nat gas radiant heat. 16' clear. 7 drive-in doors. 3 WRs. 600 volts, 200 amps, 3 phase. Security.



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EXECUTIVE BEAUTY!
\$489,900

It's a stunner! Custom woodwork throughout, stunning finished basement, cedar deck, beautiful grounds & pond, over 1/2 acre, massive kitchen, 2 fireplaces . . . The list goes on. Call **Elizabeth Doell*** to view this great property. 03-608-30



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