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8 Rug Trends That Will Make Any Room Look Polished

These fresh and trending rug designs are worth a spot in your home this year.

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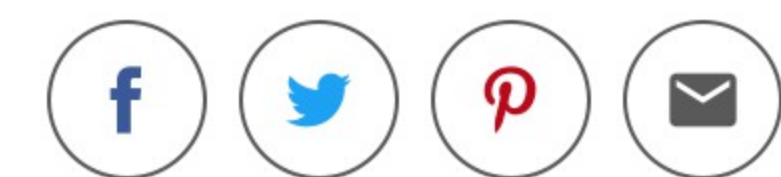


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Rugs are a great way to transform a room and add visual layers without committing to a full remodel. Of course, just like any other element of home design, rug trends come and go. While many rugs can stand the test of time, if you're looking to refresh or overhaul a room, you may be searching for some inspiration.

To help, we asked interior designers to weigh in on the rug trends they're seeing so far this year. From intricate and textured to bold and all-natural, these trending rug designs can bring a room together in more ways than one.

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01 | Abstract Designs

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According to Meredith Huck, principal designer and founder of [House of Huck](#), abstract patterned rugs are gaining popularity under tables as they tend to hide unavoidable spills, which, in turn, sustains the rug's appearance. "This trend not only ensures practicality but also adds a touch of contemporary flair to the dining space, effortlessly blending functionality with style," says Huck.

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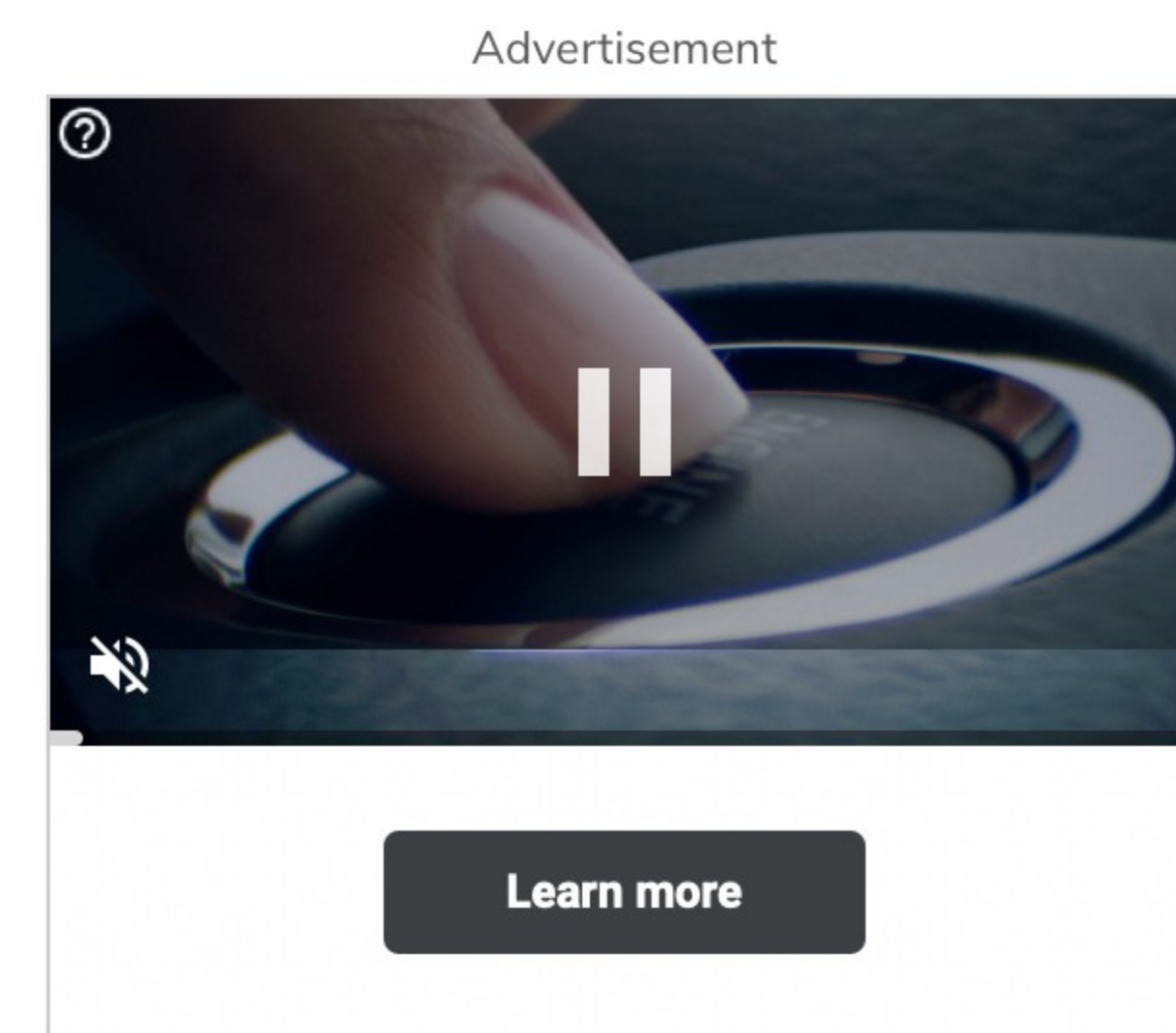
Kristin Harrison, interior designer and owner of [Bungalow 10 Interiors](#), opts for earthy materials like jute, a rough fiber produced from flowering plants. "There have been some really creative takes on jute rugs that are very affordable," says Harrison. "Hot tip: [Lauren Liess](#) actually just came out with a line of rugs that has some of the most interesting jute rugs that I've seen, possibly ever. This style allows for a relaxed, lived-in feel but also gives you some structure and texture. Highly recommended for highly trafficked areas in the home."

Huck agrees, noting that she loves to incorporate jute, sisal, and wool into her rug selections. "These materials not only add warmth and texture to the space but also contribute to a more eco-friendly and sustainable interior design approach," she says.

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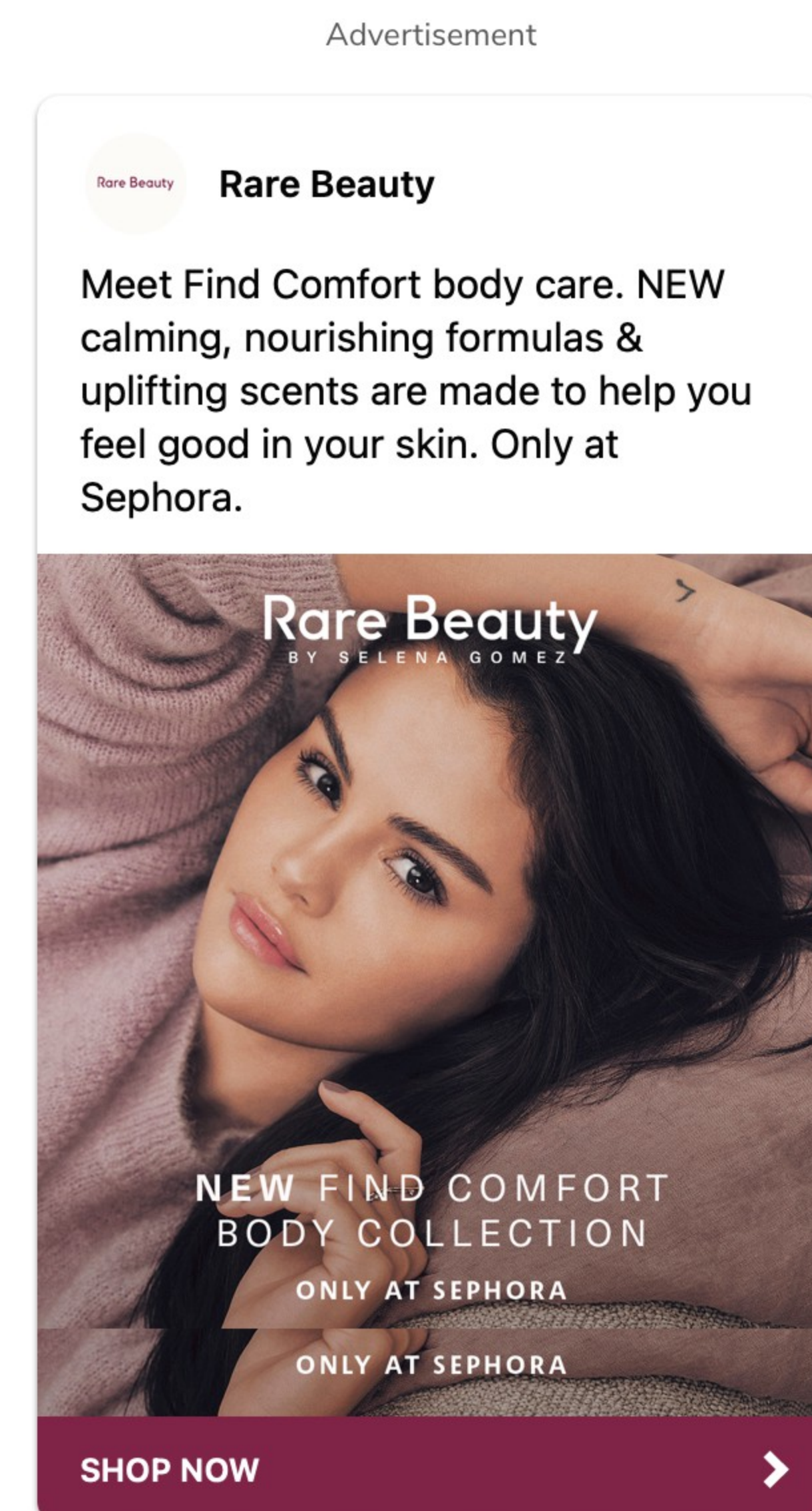
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Vintage rugs will never go out of style, says Harrison. "If you've never incorporated a vintage rug into your home, try it out in a smaller space that could benefit from some beautiful worn color and pattern, like an office or a guest room, or a space that has a lot of the same color or style of furniture," she says.

04 | Stain-Resistant Options

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Amber Guyton, the interior designer behind [Blessed Little Bungalow](#) emphasizes that you don't have to compromise stunning design for a stain-resistant and [machine-washable rug](#). "I love the imaginative inspiration, color variety, and storytelling of this incredible rug designed by [David Quarles IV](#)," says Guyton. These types of rugs may be especially appealing to those with small children and pets.

05 | Bright Color and Bolder Patterns

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Minimalism has been slowly making its way out, as brighter colors and patterns take center stage across most design elements. Interior designer [Fiona Leonard](#) suggests hand-knotted Persian-influenced rugs, as they can easily transform a space with their intricate detailing. Similarly, interior designer [Bailey Ward](#) likes to opt for geometric patterns. "I love throwing in a patterned flat weave to give a fun contemporary flair to an otherwise traditional space," says Ward.

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06 | Organic Shapes

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Organic shapes such as circles, ovals, and curves in general are a [major trend across the board](#), and rugs are no exception. "Another trend we are seeing is rugs in organic shapes, especially in an entry," says Leonard. "Sometimes a broadloom rug in the shape of a hide is the perfect thing to welcome you into a home. I also love round rugs to break up the monotony of an angular room." Not to mention, round and curvy rugs add an element of playfulness that rectangular rugs simply do not.

07 | Layered Rugs

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Yes, you can use several rugs in one space if you know [how to layer them properly](#). "Layered rugs add to the coziness of a room, as well as adding dimension and designating seating areas within a large room," says Ward. Ward suggests using a sisal or jute rug as a base and then layering a Persian or Turkish rug on top.

08 | Different Pile Heights

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The pile height of a rug alludes to how dense the fibers are. A higher pile will have more fluff, while a lower pile will likely be easier to clean. "Rugs with varying pile heights not only introduce texture but also play a crucial role in defining the ambiance of a room," says Alex Robinson, interior designer at [Mackenzie Collier Interiors](#). "This trend moves beyond the purely visual and incorporates a tactile element, creating a more dynamic and inviting space. Whether opting for a plush high-pile rug or a sleek low-pile design, the choice of pile height becomes an integral aspect of rug selection, influencing both aesthetics and comfort."

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