

CARPETS

Throw all common ideas and perceptions about carpets out the window, as being produced in the here-and-now are items of controversial beauty and function. It is so tempting to indulge in the optical illusions, digital prints, Google Earth views, and LED interactive threads on offer. Crafting hands have mastered the forms, with vibrant materials serving as a medium of fascination.



NICOLETTE BRUNKLAUS

Designer at EGE Carpet

Danish manufacturer EGE Carpets has teamed up with Dutch interior designer Nicolette Brunklus, who has designed a new collection truly reflecting her love of rich textile structures. A tiny sample of worn linen, loosely woven and faded, was the starting point of her creative process: mapping textures, colours, and memories.

Nicolette Brunklus explains: "My work is tied to memories that, once translated into designs, become universal. In this way, my work personally touches the people who interact and relate to it. Canvas Collage (pictures) is a continuation of this approach; beautiful atmospheres that are emotionally relatable. It is inspired by reflections on industry, just before the industrial revolution. Today, industry and efficiency have replaced this laborious craft. The woven structure is applied to all variations, layered over dried dahlia flowers in a patchwork of colours, and combined with new forms. The collection is timeless. I manipulate my own photographs to create unique designs, with the images chosen for their colour palette and poetic meaning."

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PAOLA LENTI

At the end of 2014, Paola Lenti presented the book *Weaving Spaces*, edited by Corraini Edizioni, to celebrate 20 years of textile production and design experimentation. *Weaving Spaces* examines, through suggestions and visual associations, the key concepts of a unique approach to design. The idea of giving visibility to beauty and harmony is visually and tactilely reflected in the graphics and appearance of the book. Linked by *Lenti's thread*, the concepts expand into images and reflections, forming a canvas, a multidisciplinary fabric full of ideas.

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