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## AN ENDURING FLOORCOVERING COLLECTION

# Avashi

# Fluidity and movement, striking hues, ancient Japanese craftsmanship with a modern sensibility.

Eleven statement designs and colourways inspired by the respected tradition of Shibori - binding, twisting, folding and dyeing fabrics. Earthy colour palettes, restrained design and exploration of textures characterize this timeless collection.



# inspired by nature

**Art Day.** A concert of ideas, media and inspiration. A time-honoured practice to contemplate form and colour. To engage with the process. The synchronicity, synergy and symbiosis of pure design.





### ICHIBAN - COPPER

SIZE: 8' x 10', 9' x 12', 10' x 14', 12' x 15'
DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal.
CUSTOM COLOURS AND SIZES AVAILABLE





ICHIBAN - INDIGO SIZE: 8' x 10', 9' x 12', 10' x 14', 12' x 15' DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal. CUSTOM COLOURS AND SIZES AVAILABLE





### CRUMPLE

**OVERALL SIZE:** 8' x 10', 9' x 12', 10' x 14', 12' x 15' **DETAIL:** Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm and 6mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal. **CUSTOM COLOURS AND SIZES AVAILABLE** 





IMPRINT - EARTH SIZE: 8' × 10', 9' × 12', 10' × 14', 12' × 15' DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm and 6mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal. CUSTOM COLOURS AND SIZES AVAILABLE





### IMPRINT - AQUA SIZE: 8' × 10', 9' × 12', 10' × 14', 12' × 15' DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm and 6mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal. CUSTOM COLOURS AND SIZES AVAILABLE





SUJI - GOLD
SIZE: 8' × 10', 9' × 12', 10' × 14', 12' × 15'
DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal.
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# SUJI - FROST SIZE: 8' × 10', 9' × 12', 10' × 14', 12' × 15' DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal. CUSTOM COLOURS AND SIZES AVAILABLE





### **TWINE - COPPER**

SIZE: 8' x 10', 9' x 12', 10' x 14', 12' x 15'
DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm and 6mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal.
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TWINE - MINT
SIZE: 8' × 10', 9' × 12', 10' × 14', 12' × 15'
DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot,
4mm and 6mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal.
CUSTOM COLOURS AND SIZES AVAILABLE





VEIL - GREY
SIZE: 8' × 10', 9' × 12', 10' × 14', 12' × 15'
DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal.
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SIZE: 8' × 10', 9' × 12', 10' × 14', 12' × 15'
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# SHADOW - GREY SIZE: 8' x 10', 9' x 12', 10' x 14', 12' x 15' DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot,

4mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal. CUSTOM COLOURS AND SIZES AVAILABLE





### SHADOW - RASPBERRY

SIZE: 8' x 10', 9' x 12', 10' x 14', 12' x 15'
DETAIL: Handknotted, Chinese silk with Tibetan wool in 100 knot, 4mm cut pile construction. Made in Nepal.
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**Who we are.** The Arashi Collection features the best of what Creative Matters has become known for after 30 years of creating timeless yet contemporary floor and wallcoverings with interiors professionals worldwide.

Rugs that channel design excellence with an intimate understanding of natural fibres and artisanal techniques. Rugs that understand their role in the bigger picture. Standout pieces textured in all the right ways. Rugs that are meticulously crafted with respect for people and the environment.

As a result of collaborations with interiors influencers such as Yabu Pushelberg, Karim Rashid, HOK and Gensler, our rugs are now found in over 40 countries. We travel the world for consultations, to liaise with our artisans and for installations, but we design from a historic building in Toronto, Canada.

The Creative Matters label is your guarantee that all design and production details were carefully considered along with every possibility for fair trade. We are aided in this continuing quest by our partnership with Label STEP.

### You're inspired by this collection - what's next?

Available in four standard sizes, the rugs are handknotted in a sumptuous yarn blend of wool with touches of silk. However, different spaces require different solutions, so we often work with interiors professionals to customize the designs



in size, colour, quality, method of production – and even the design itself. The designs reemerge in circular rugs or runners; neutral palettes become emboldened with colour; details may be intensified or subdued; borders add elegant dimension; and the fibre mix is retextured for heavy traffic or additional luxe.

The Arashi Collection was designed by our team and then finessed in collaboration with our artisanal partners throughout 2017. Please visit our website to see the other seven collections.



**The Arashi Collection.** Experimentation in pattern through use of nature – flora bundled into wool and silk, bound with twine then soaked in natural dyes. Designs reinterpreted and developed into handmade area rugs. Distinct beauty achieved through subtle hues of ecru and coffee, copper and mint. A stroke of silk amplifies and enriches. Designs to peruse and to ponder.

**Fair Trade** is important to us. We are a small team of creative people with families, children and grandchildren. Throughout our firm, we work to trade responsibly and minimize our environmental footprint. Most important in this endeavour is our membership in the Swiss based Label STEP – an international non-profit organization committed to promoting environmentally friendly production methods, improving the working and living conditions of carpet weavers, and fighting child labour.



# inspired floor and wallcoverings

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