

# Abaca

Abaca is extracted from the *Musa textilis* plant, a close relative of the banana and native to the Philippines and humid tropics.

Once the laborious harvesting of the Abaca is complete the fibres are graded into their colour range, from Pearl White to Dark Brown.

With great tensile strength, buoyancy, resistance to saltwater and long length the Abaca is ideal for rope, twine, fishing line and nets and was commonly used for ship rigging in the 19th Century.

Other products using Abaca include wall paper, stencil paper, teabags and currencies such as the Japanese Yen and the US dollar. Mercedes Benz use Abaca in automobile body parts as its production uses an estimated 60% less energy than glass fibre.

There is a flourishing niche market for Abaca clothing, curtains, screens, furnishings and the beautiful hand woven floor coverings we offer.

As a floor covering, Abaca fibre is ideal because it gets softer the more it's walked on without losing tensile strength.

We have Abaca in two forms available to you:

1. Solano Abaca: in two colour ways (pictured top and bottom on this page), in stock in 4m wide rolls. These can be bound and finished off as custom size rugs, like our other woven carpets, with a production time of approximately two weeks.
2. Hand Woven Abaca Rugs: in five colour ways (on reverse page) are custom woven to size and order with a production time of 8 – 10 weeks.

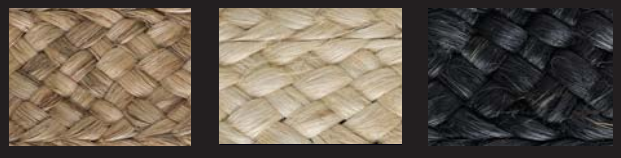
They are available in Coron, Corvo, Irish, Kapuas, Koro, Manzanilla and Rabi weaves and all are available in 5 colours: Cream, Black, Malay, Wheat and Two-Tone (Malay/Pearl).



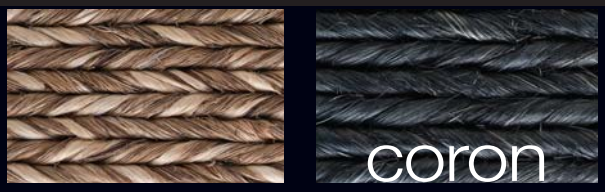
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