

ames



Design and inspiration

With Muyska, ames introduces a new hand-woven wool rug collection designed by Mae Engelgeer. The pieces showcase the Dutch designer's signature aesthetic of geometric, abstract patterns, here expressed through overlapping stripes and colours gently fading into each other – an effect that's actually woven into the fabric. The rug's asymmetric outline contributes to the design's contemporary aesthetic, mixing rounded and square corners.

This collection is also a tribute to the Muisca people. These pre-hispanic civilisations lived in the Altiplano Cundiboyacense, a high plateau in the Eastern Cordillera of the Colombian Andes. They were known as masterful weavers who elevated this craft to a form of language, and it was an integral part of their culture. Seen as valuable as gold, their nobility not only used artistic textiles to protect them from the cold but also to showcase their social status. Additionally, these woven goods were accepted as a form of payment or offered to the gods.

About the designer

Since opening her studio in 2013, Mae Engelgeer has been driven by her interest in craft techniques. Using yarns, colours, patterns and fabrics, she pushes the boundaries of textile production to adapt old methods for modern life. This approach is the reason that the collaboration with ames is so fruitful. Mae got to know the incredible talent of the Colombian craftspeople, who work with materials that are rarely used in rugs, for example, the fibres of the fique plant. And because the entire production relies on manual labour, all the fine details in Mae's design come across beautifully in the final product. Mae Engelgeer's works combine subtle colour palettes, patterns and linear elements. Complex compositions are brought to perfection and give rise to new harmonies.

Product type Rug

Materials 100% natural virgin wool

Colours

grey/purple/light blue light blue/grey/dark blue grey/beige/black

Country of origin Colombia

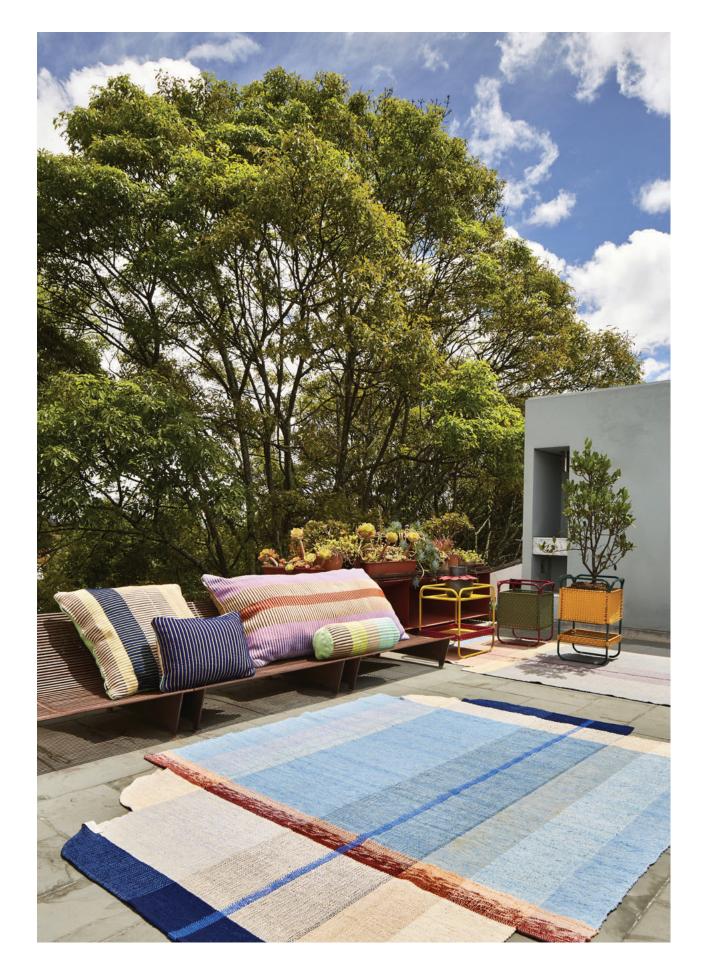
Place of use

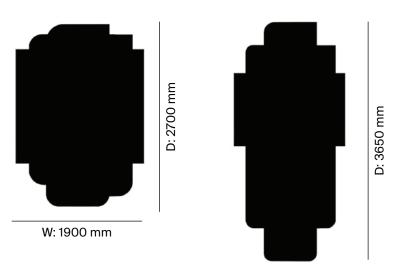
Commercial and Residental

Environment Indoor

Customise product

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W: 1900 mm

Dimensions (mm)

Medium Width: 1900 Depth: 2700

Large Width: 1900 Depth: 3650

Packaging dimensions

(H × W × D) (mm) Medium 590 × 590 × 260

Large 590 × 590 × 320

Item weight (kg) Medium

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Large 12

Craft and manufacturing

Ames has partnered with a small family-owned atelier located in the same Andes region the Muisca lived to produce this collection. There, the craftswomen and craftsmen use only the finest virgin wool that has been spun and dyed in a two to three-week process. They work on horizontal looms specially adjusted for this collection – just this preparation takes about a week.

The artisans weave one rug in about eight days, following techniques that date back to the Muiscas, to create the illusion of crossing stripes and blending colours. It takes about 20 days to produce one rug.

Care instructions

Some shedding will occur when vacuuming the rug, especially in the beginning. We recommend cutting loose threads with a scissor or pulling them in with a crochet needle. Vacuum rug regularly. As the fibres have been dyed by hand, each model's colour varies slightly. To protect the colours, avoid exposing the product to direct sunlight over long periods and change its position regularly so the colours age evenly. We also recommend using an anti-slip underlay to reduce dust collection. Only use a professional rug cleaning service for the entire rug. The dimensions can vary minimally as each rug is made by hand.



MUYSKA Medium, Large



grey/purple/light blue 00ANERM-1



grey/purple/light blue 00ANERL-1



light blue/grey/dark blue 00ANERM-2



light blue/grey/dark blue 00ANERL-2



grey/beige/black 00ANERM-3



grey/beige/black 00ANERL-3