

## Naturally Inspired: Hand-Harvested Fiber Wall Coverings, Blinds and Rugs

Plant fiber wallpaper, blinds, area rugs, carpet, and even tile lend natural beauty to any space. Shown in their natural colors below, these natural fiber products also come in an array of offerings - everything from charcoal grays to earthy reds and soft luminous whites.



Photo: Better Homes and Gardens

Natural fiber products are typically made from semi-arid and tropical plants such as sisal, hemp, ramie, sea grass, palm, mulberry, vetiver, arrowroot, flax, and bamboo. They are typically hand stripped from the plant, air dried in the sun, and then, in some cases, colored using vegetable dyes or preserved in their natural sun-bleached, weathered hues before being woven into shades, wall coverings, and rugs.

Most natural fiber products are sustainably grown from renewable materials, are biodegradable, and very durable - making them an excellent choice in high traffic areas (though some fibers, such as sisal and other "grasscloth" are absorbent and therefore easy to stain).

What to look for when choosing products? Aesthetics, social responsibility, and quality. Conrad, for example, is known for all three - offering shades that are individually hand-loomed to order in an absolute stunning array of fiber blends, textures and colors. In 2012, Conrad was honored with "Best of the Year" award by [Interior Design Magazine](#). Every time we install Conrad shades in a client's home, we fall in love all over again.



DiGiacomo Homes is now offering Conrad shades, natural fiber carpet, and grasscloth paper (as well as furnishings) as part of our interior design services. If you'd like to add some natural beauty to your home, [contact us](#) - we'll be happy to help you find the right product!

## IN THE NEWS



DiGiacomo Homes & Renovation, Inc. was featured in the Spring 2015 MIDWEST HOME REMODELING GUIDE for our award winning ["modern view" kitchen](#).

This project, built in Minnetonka in 2014, offers sweeping views of the client's wetland, critical kitchen workspace, modern finishes, and a high-function "drop zone" rear entry with coat lockers and home central desk.

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