

## VELVET, SHAG PILE & SAXONY

This is the traditional cut-pile carpet which, as its name suggests, looks much like velvet cloth. Like any pile fabric, it has a natural tendency to show shading. Velvet or velour carpet can be found in all fibres and will be either wilton, tufted or bonded construction.

### Shag and saxony

Textures depend upon pile height and variations in yarn thickness to create a difference. Shag pile, making a come back after its introduction in the '70s, has extra long tufts. The pile yarn tends to fall over in use, as you may expect, and it is advisable, if you prefer this texture, to remember that it is intended more for decorative use than sheer hard wear. Most shag pile carpets are made in the heavier weights with 100% wool and are therefore relatively expensive.

Saxony generally utilises a shorter pile height than shag pile and a thicker yarn which is either wool or, more frequently, 100% polyester.



The Natural Look, colour Cirrus. A tufted heather velour texture in 9 colours with a pile content of 80% wool 20% nylon by Victoria. £19.99 sq m



Shag pile carpets in 100% New Zealand wool. Available in three weights, any width and in any colour, by Ryalux. From £37.50 sq m



Ryasilk Arabian Night. A Wools of New Zealand quality in 24 colours and in any width to five metres from Ryalux. £49.95 sq m



Regatta, one of 20 clear colours from the Duchess range of saxony textures. Made with 80% New Zealand wool 20% nylon from Victoria. £20.99 sq m



Primrose from the Simply Wool range. A saxony texture in 100% pure new wool available in a choice of 16 colours, by Tintawn. £53 sq m.

