

Cleaning Rugs with Snow

A beautiful wool rug can be the major design element in a room, but like anything subject to foot traffic, it needs regular cleaning to stay in tip-top shape.

With the recent snowy weather, there's been lots of discussion online and even at our meetings about the old-fashioned method of cleaning hooked rugs with snow, a method that doesn't make a big mess or require chemicals that could strip the wool of its natural oils. And it turns a cleaning chore into a game kids will enjoy.

Thanks to Kay for sharing a post from one of her Nova Scotian connections. The following links are to articles from the editors of *Yankee Magazine* and Crow's Foot Farm Design.

From Yankee Magazine, Jan 3 2018

How to Clean a Wool Rug with Snow

<https://newengland.com/today/living/cleaning/clean-wool-rugs/>

From Crow's Foot Farm

Why Hookers Love Snow

<http://www.crowsfootfarmdesigns.com/blog/2019/1/14/why-rug-hookers-love-snow>

Do you have a preferred method for how to clean a wool rug or other wool rug cleaning tips? Let us know!

I should also add: I recently saw an email reply from Laura Boszormeny to the Prescott gang:

Be careful about using snow these days depending on location. Air pollution can impact and, in fact, small black dots might appear on the rug's surface.

I hope these tips are helpful – we certainly have lots of snow for giving this a try! Please let us know how you make out. It will be good for others to know how well it works for you.

-- Lesley