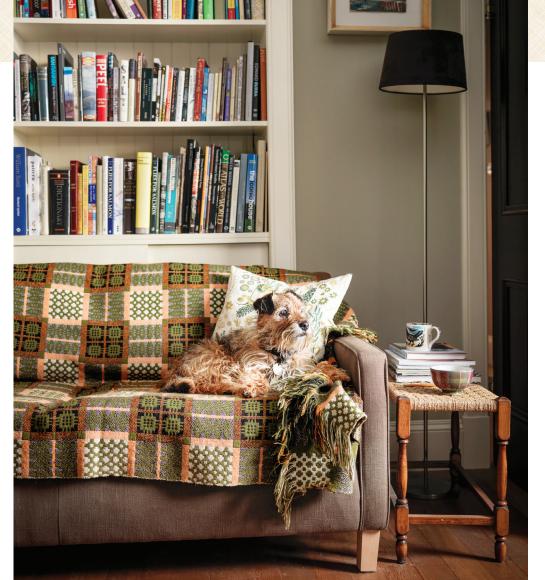


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Object Lesson

Rural Roots: Thanks to the long tradition of sheep farming, wool sits at the heart of textile crafts in Wales. Welsh tapestry blankets have been woven in country mills since the 19th century, created on large looms using a signature double-cloth construction.

Staying Power: Because the wool is hand-dyed in rich colors designed to stand the test of time, these blankets have brightened up homes for centuries of gray winter days. The blankets also make for popular wedding presents.

Higher Learning: Eye-catching patterns (often with native Welsh names) are another signature of these blankets. At bottom left, an iconic "Caernarfon" patterned blanket tops a nook by interior designer Rita Konig and architect Gil Schafer.

Makers to Know: Family companies like Trefriw (t-w-m .co.uk) and Melin Tregwynt (melintregwynt.co.uk) have been producing blankets at local mills for more than a century.

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