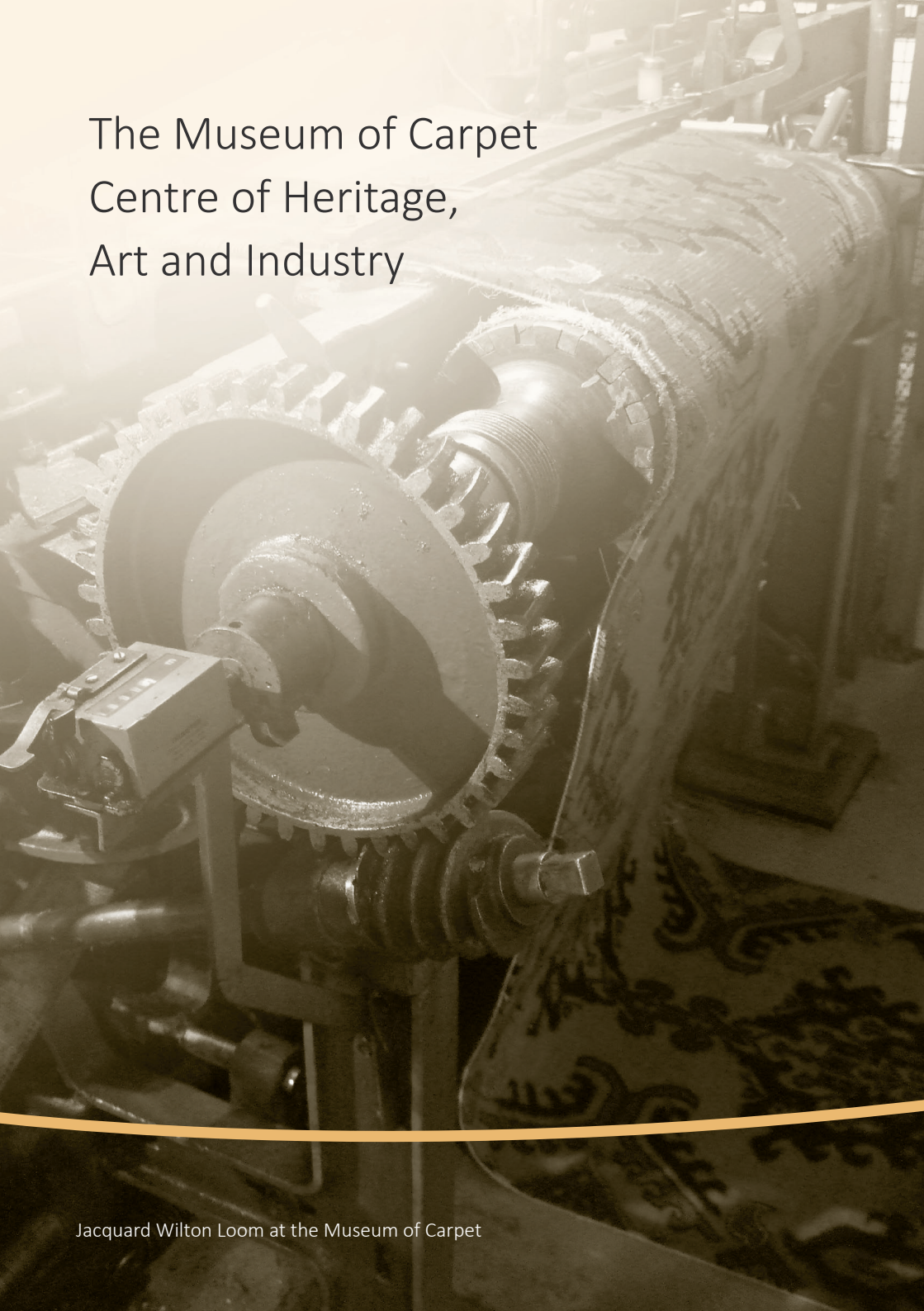




Leaving a Gift in your Will
to the Carpet Museum Trust

A large, intricate Jacquard Wilton Loom is shown in a sepia-toned photograph. The machine features a large, prominent gear with many teeth, and a complex system of levers and pulleys. A large roll of patterned carpet is visible on the right side of the machine. The background is slightly blurred, showing other parts of the loom and the industrial setting.

The Museum of Carpet Centre of Heritage, Art and Industry

Jacquard Wilton Loom at the Museum of Carpet

The Carpet Museum Trust was started by a group of enthusiasts who, in the 1980s, had the foresight to collect items of interest from the carpet industry, which was beginning to decline. Their enthusiasm and commitment resulted in the opening of the Museum of Carpet in 2012; a public space dedicated to telling the story of carpet making and exploring the legacy of this global trade, both in the town of Kidderminster and the UK as a whole.

We rely on the generosity of our supporters.

Whilst most of our day-to-day operations are funded by our ticket sales, events and room hire, we need substantial additional funding to

- Ensure the upkeep of our significant collection
- Keep our unique heritage looms running
- Maintain the beautiful Museum building and facilities
- Develop new and innovative ways to tell the story of heritage, art and industry in the Kidderminster area

Every single gift makes a difference to our work and will help safeguard this wonderful museum for everyone to enjoy long into the future.





How a gift in your will makes a difference

Your will ensures that your loved ones are taken care of, but it is also an opportunity to support causes that you care about.

Leave the Museum of Carpet a gift in your will and help us to continue the work of the volunteers who originally built the collection and founded the Museum.

The carpet industry was a major part of local people's lives, providing good jobs and creating a strong community. Friendships were built, romances blossomed, careers flourished and the town prospered. If you benefited from the carpet industry in Kidderminster and the surrounding area, please consider investing in the future of the Museum of Carpet to help us preserve that heritage.

Your gift will help us to enrich people's lives by remembering your history. With your support we can make Kidderminster a more inspiring place to live. We are committed to providing exciting opportunities for local people, just like in the hey-day of the carpet industry.

This is a wonderful cultural resource for Kidderminster and the wider Worcs/West Mids: a beautifully curated space with all kinds of learning opportunities for all ages.

Andrew and Anthea Harris-Fry

Ledger books
Museum of Carpet archive



Your Will

Making a will is easy to put off, but it is the only way to be sure your wishes are carried out. Without one, you may leave your loved ones facing uncertainty, and there will be no way to ensure your desire to support the Museum.

Leaving a gift to charity in your will can reduce the amount your estate pays in inheritance tax, meaning you can make an even greater difference to your loved ones.

There are two main types of gift you can leave to the Museum of Carpet in your will:

A residuary gift

This is where you set aside a portion of all your remaining estate after funeral expenses, debts and other gifts in the will have been paid. Many people choose to leave this kind of gift because it helps make sure their loved ones are taken care of first.

A pecuniary gift

This is a gift of a specified sum of money. All gifts make a real difference, but it's worth remembering that the eventual value of this type of gift is likely to be impacted by inflation.

Every gift, big or small, makes a difference to what we can achieve at the Museum.

We suggest you speak to a legal advisor to help you make the decision of what is best for you.

Gifts in Memory

Donating in memory of someone special can be a positive way to celebrate their life, and can also make a real difference to the Museum. Some families ask for donations instead of flowers at a funeral. Gifts like these can reflect the life and experiences of a loved one whilst also supporting the work of the Museum.

This is one of my favourite places - the history, the dedication of the volunteers and the skills, which would be lost without anyone getting to see them - a wonderful piece of British history!

Linda Thomas

To find out more about leaving a gift in your will or supporting the Museum of Carpet please get in touch.

Sketch for Axminster Square by Edouard Glorget, 1899
Museum of Carpet archive



Become a Partner

When you have had time to discuss your decision with those you are close to, we would like to know your intentions, as it will help us plan for the future. Please complete and return the form below and you will be invited to join our Partners. You will receive a pin badge and a newsletter to keep you up to date with our work. You will also be invited to special events at the Museum.

Thank you

☐ I want to invest in the Museum of Carpet by leaving a gift in my will to the Carpet Museum Trust

☐ I have left a gift in my will to the Carpet Museum Trust

Name	
Address	
Telephone	
Email	

We would like to keep in touch with you and keep you up to date with our work. We will keep your details safe and never share them with anyone.

☐ Yes please

☐ No thank you

My gift to the Carpet Museum Trust is

☐ A sum of money
(a pecuniary gift)

☐ A specific gift

☐ A residuary gift

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