

KINLEY STUDIOS

FURNITURE PLACEMENT GUIDELINES

This guideline will outline general space planning rules to assist when designing a floor plan and will allow your space to have a better flow and overall function.

LIVING ROOM

- Distance between sofa and coffee table: 14" – 21" (max 24")
- Distance between seating and TV: 1.5 – 2.5 times the measurement of the screen. Newer televisions with high definition capabilities can be positioned closer to the seating arrangement. Ideally, this allows about 8ft. from the television.
- Distance between seating arrangement: 30" -36"
- Distance between side table and chair or sofa: 4"
- Leave at least 2" between the backs of furniture and the walls to prevent damage to both.
- Distance between two arm chairs: 36" - 42". On the higher end if a side table will be placed in between.
- To allow for conversation, keep seating distance to about 8ft. – 10ft. (max)

AREA RUGS

- A living room rug should allow for at least the two front feet of the seating arrangement, such as a sofa and arm chairs, to sit on the rug. For a larger room, you can opt for a larger rug so all of the seating sits on the rug. When in doubt, go for a larger size rug.
- A rug in the dining room, under the table, should extend about 24" – 36" from the edge of the table to allow space to comfortably pull out the chair.
- A bedroom rug under the bed should extend at minimum 18" for a twin or full size bed and 24" for a queen or king size bed.
- The distance from the edge of an area rug and the wall in a large room should be about 24", and 18" for a smaller room.

BEDROOM

- Distance between the nightstand and bed: 3"- 4"
- Distance between the bed and a wall or other piece of furniture, such as a dresser: 24" – 36". This gives you enough room of walking space to make the bed and opening and closing of drawers in a dresser.
- For bedrooms with more than one bed: allow at least 30" between two beds

DINING ROOM

- Distance between dining table and other piece of furniture or wall: 36" – 42" for clearance to move around the space
- For table spacing: allow at least 21" - 24" of dining space per seat. For example, a 72" long table will comfortably seat three people on one side (24" for each seat). This gives a more comfortable dining experience. Plan to allow 6" between chairs.
- A minimum of 36" is needed from the edge of the table to a wall or other piece of furniture, such as a buffet console, for adequate walking space and use of furniture pieces in the room.

LIGHTING

- **Hanging a chandelier in a room:** Calculate the ideal width by adding together the width and length of the room in feet. That total (in inches) is a good width for the chandelier. For example, for a 10ft x 14ft room, a 24" wide light fixture would be appropriate. Your hanging height will depend on the ceiling height of the room.
- **Hanging a chandelier or other light fixture over a table:** A chandelier should hang 24" – 36" above the top of the table. This is a good rule of thumb, however, can be flexible. A low hanging light sets a more modern tone, but even then, the light fixture should not interfere with the ability to make conversation with other guests seated at the table. The width of the chandelier should be about $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ the width of the table it will be placed over.
- **Kitchen Island Pendants:** Hang 30" – 36" over the island.

LIGHTING CONSIDERATIONS

- **Ceiling Height:** Take into account the height of your ceiling. If you have a high ceiling, you can afford to hang the chandelier lower to create a grand and dramatic effect.
- **Line of Sight:** Ensure that the chandelier doesn't obstruct the line of sight or interfere with the movement in the open area. Consider the views and sightlines from different angles to avoid any visual obstructions that may hinder the overall aesthetic.
- **Proportions:** Consider the scale and proportions of the space. A larger and more expansive area can accommodate a larger and more elaborate chandelier that hangs lower. Conversely, a smaller open area may require a smaller chandelier or one that is positioned higher to maintain a balanced look.
- **Safety Considerations:** Be mindful of the chandelier's height to avoid any potential accidents. Make sure that the bottom of the chandelier is at a safe distance from the tallest person in the space, ensuring there's no risk of anyone accidentally bumping into it.



In general, a common guideline for open areas is to hang the chandelier at least 7ft. above the finished floor from the bottom of the chandelier. This height allows for ample clearance while still maintaining an impactful presence. However, depending on the specific dimensions and characteristics of your space, you may need to adjust this guideline accordingly.

ARTWORK

- An optimal height to hanging art is at eye level. Hanging art at about 56" - 60" above the floor from the center of the artwork.
- For a living room or seated area, the artwork should hang 30" above seating height. Aim for 4" - 8" of space from the top of the sofa or chair and the bottom of the art piece. Always allow 6" - 12" of space between the outer edge of the artwork and the ceiling, floor, or wall.
- For a gallery wall, the ideal distance between pictures should be 2". Smaller art can be placed a little closer together.
- The width of a grouping of art placed over a piece of furniture, like a sofa or console table, should be $\frac{2}{3}$ the width of the furniture below it. For example, the width of your art gallery above a 60" console table would be about 40".



COMMON SIZES OF FURNITURE & APPLIANCES

KITCHEN

- Refrigerator: 36”W
- Range / Cooktop: 30”W / 36”W / 48”W
- Dishwasher: 24”W
- Washer / Dryer: 30”W
- Kitchen Base Cabinets: 34-1/2”H x 24”D

Standard cabinets have a depth of 24” for the base cabinets and either 12” or 15” depth for the upper cabinets.

Cabinet widths begin at 9” and go up to 48”, in increments of 3” for most prebuilt cabinets.

Base cabinets are designed to have a countertop that would bring the total height to 36” from the floor (including the countertop). Standard kitchen countertop thickness is 3CM (about 1-1/2”). You can opt for a more high-end look with a mitered edge countertop which has a thickness of about 3”.

The height of the upper cabinets will depend on your ceiling height and your kitchen design. Upper cabinets are positioned at least 18” above the countertops, with a maximum of 21”. This is a standard clearance for most countertop appliances. The larger clearance offers a more high-end appearance.



Mitered Edge



Standard (3CM)

OFFICE

- Office Desk: 72”W / 60”W / 48”W x 30”H x 30”D
- Two Drawer Legal-size File Cabinet: 18”W x 30”D x 32”H
- Two Drawer Letter-size File Cabinet: 15”W x 30”D x 32”H
- Office Chair (footprint): 42” x 42” square

BEDROOM

- King Size Bed: 80”L x 76”W
- California King Size Bed: 84”L X 72”W
- Queen Size Bed: 84”L x 68”W
- Twin Size Bed: 79”L x 47”W
- Nightstand: 24”W / 30”W / 36”W x 18”D
- Arm Chair: 30”W / 36”W x 32”D

AREA RUGS

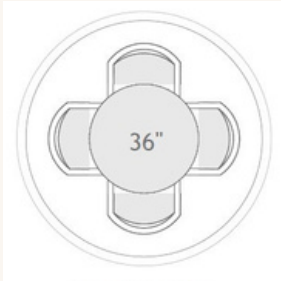
- 3'x5'
- 5'x8'
- 8'x10'
- 9'x12'
- 10'x14'
- 12'x15'

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SEATING ARRANGEMENT & AREA RUG PLACEMENT

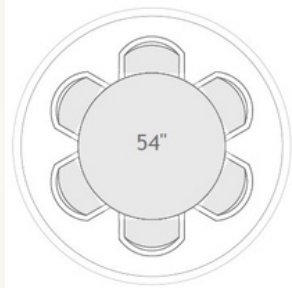
DINING ROOM

Seating: 4



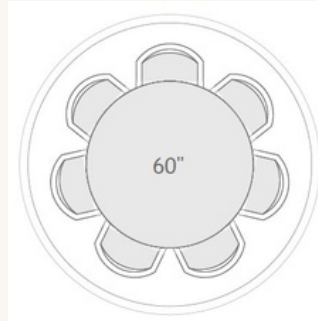
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Seating: 6



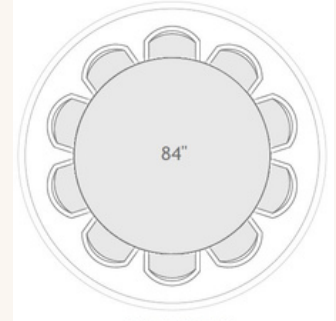
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Seating: 7



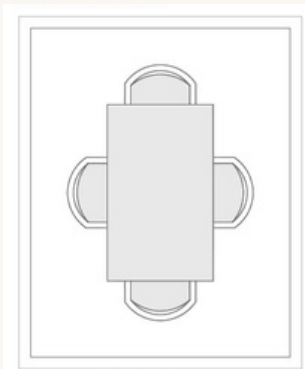
Area Rug: 9'-0"

Seating: 10



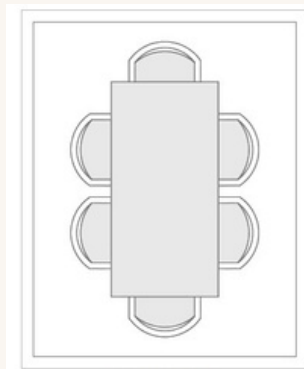
Area Rug: 11'-0"

Table: 36" x 60"
Seating: 4 - 6



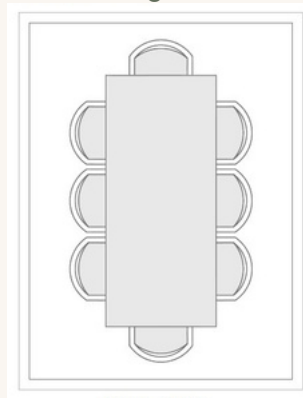
Area Rug: 8' x 10'

Table: 36" x 72"
Seating: 6 - 8



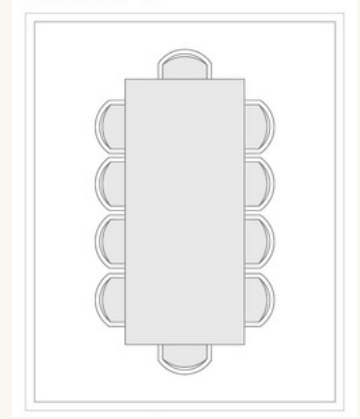
Area Rug: 8' x 10'

Table: 42" x 96"
Seating: 8 - 10



Area Rug: 9' x 12'

Table: 54" x 120"
Seating: 10 - 12



Area Rug: 12' x 15'

The table dimensions shown in each diagram represent common table sizes available from most retailers, along with area rug sizes that follow the placement guidelines for each layout.

The chairs in the diagram are 24"W. If the chairs for the dining room are smaller, typically 18"W, you can arrange for more seating. Be mindful of the spacing between chairs and maintain the rule of thumb of allowing at least 6" of spacing between each chair.

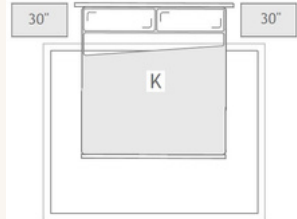
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BEDROOM

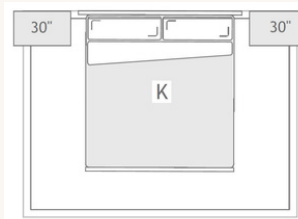
KING SIZE BED - 80" L X 76" W



Area Rug: 8' x 10'



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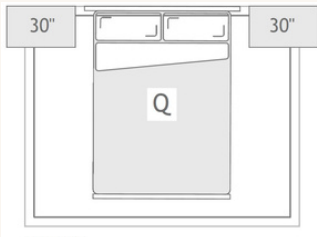


Area Rug: 9' x 12'

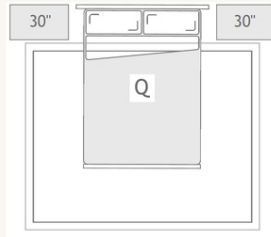


Area Rug: 10' x 14'

QUEEN SIZE BED - 84" L X 68" W



Area Rug: 8' x 10'

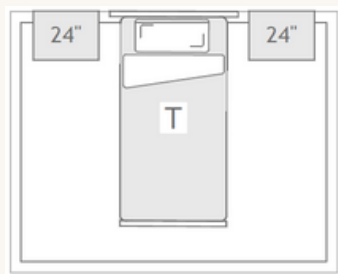


Area Rug: 8' x 10'

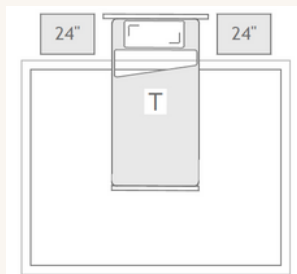


Area Rug: 9' x 12'

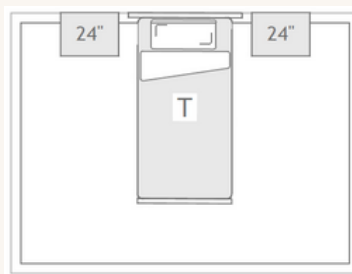
TWIN SIZE BED - 79" L X 47" W



Area Rug: 8' x 10'



Area Rug: 8' x 10'



Area Rug: 9' x 12'

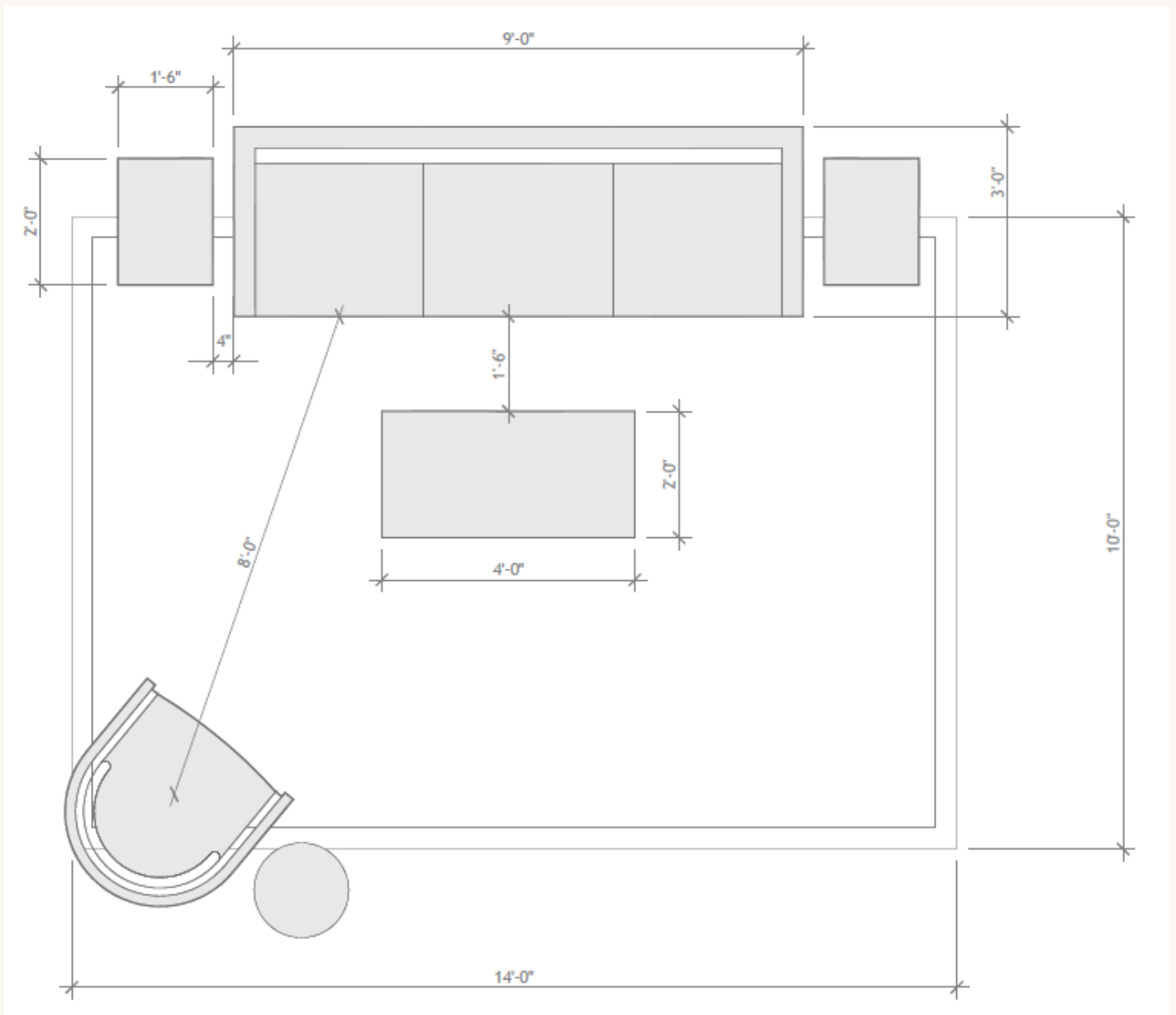
If you intend on placing a bench at the foot of the bed, you can opt to place the rug out further from the top of the bed so the nightstands sit on the floor instead of the rug. If you prefer to have a bench at the end of the bed and still have the nightstands sit on the rug, opt for the larger size area rug.

The width of each nightstand is displayed so if your nightstand is wider or narrower, you can adjust the rug size to your placement preference.

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LIVING ROOM



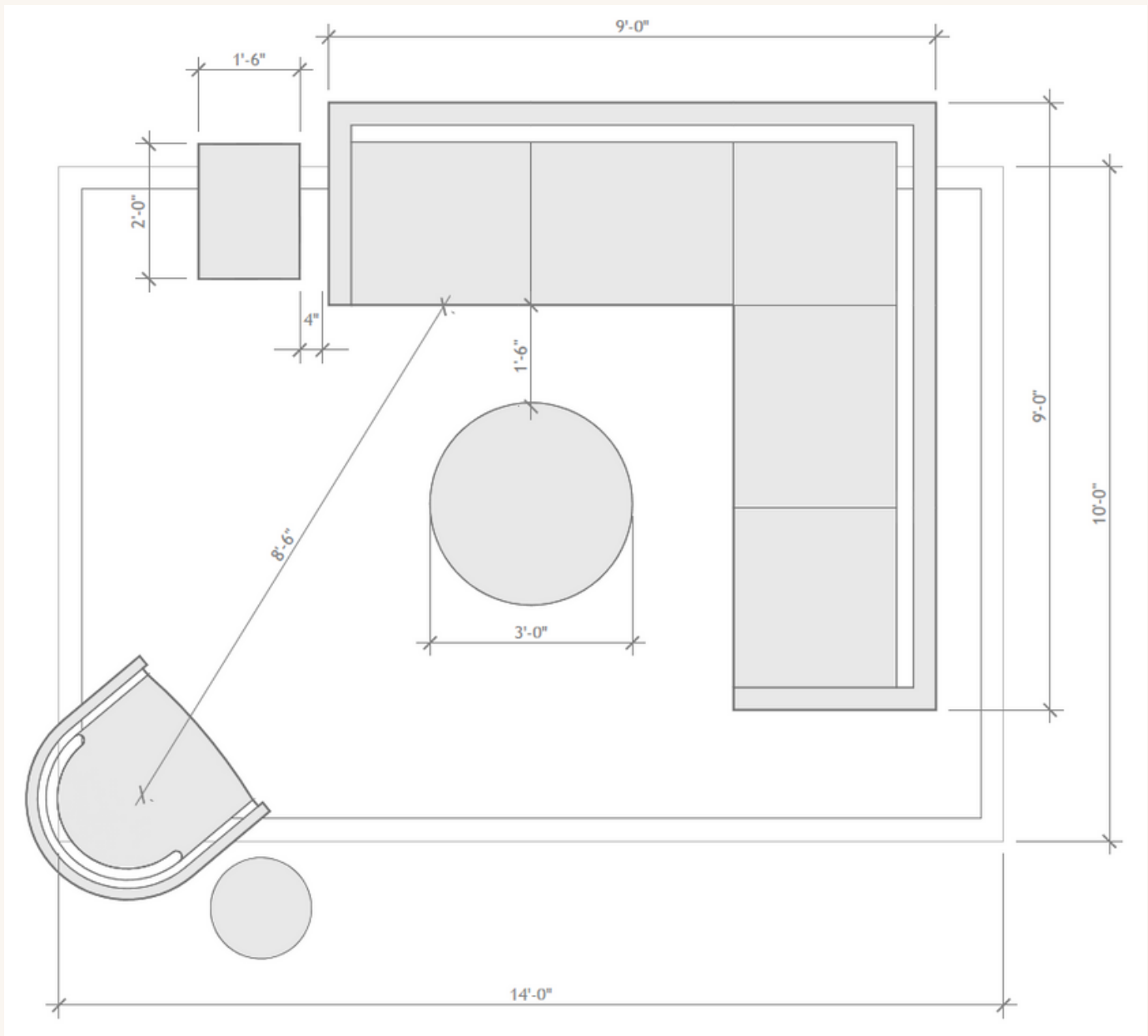
Area Rug: 10' x 14'

This arrangement allows for the two front feet of the arm chair and sofa, as well as the side tables, to sit on the area rug. The dimensions displayed show how the placement guidelines apply when spacing various furniture pieces.

You can adjust the rug size accordingly, with the size of your sofa and other furniture pieces by following the guidelines outlined in the diagram.

FURNITURE ARRANGEMENT & AREA RUG PLACEMENT

LIVING ROOM



Area Rug: 10' x 14'

This arrangement with a sectional sofa and arm chair allows for all of the furniture pieces to sit on the area rug.

You can adjust the rug size accordingly, with the size of your sofa and other furniture pieces by following the guidelines outlined in the diagram.



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