

the backside of linoleum can be transformed into colorful indoor/outdoor throw rugs, table coverings, pet/door/bar mats, placemats and more!

materials:

- roll of linoleum - 6x9, 9x15 rolls can be found at most home improvement stores
- can also shop flooring stores for remnants left over from installs
- heavy duty shears or utility knife
- latex primer
- paint (house paints, artist acrylics, sprays...use what you have!)
- polyurethane
- silica sand/play sand (if using linoleum for outdoor rugs)
- your imagination



cut linoleum to desired size (tip: lay unrolled linoleum in the sun to help flatten, if needed)
flip over to work on the BACKSIDE - prime with latex primer
lay out design/pattern using pencil, tape, or stencils
paint design/pattern
seal with 3 coats of polyurethane - if using outside, be sure to get exterior grade polyurethane
FOR OUTDOOR RUGS ONLY: while first coat of polyurethane is wet, lightly sprinkle silica sand or play sand over rug to prevent rug from being slippery when wet. don't overdo it, a light sprinkling is sufficient.



this material makes beautiful covers for patio umbrella tables

just flip table over onto linoleum, trace and cut. remember to cut out opening for umbrella. experiment with embellishments such as grommets, rock weights, etc.

tip: when using for indoor rug, place rug backing on underside to prevent slipping.

play around with using the linoleum for game mats and play mats.

take any of these ideas and make them your own. ENJOY!