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No-Vacuum Sewing Room Idea

By Leslie — 51 Comments

I may have mentioned a thing or two about my new [sewing room](#). And, I might have said it was going to have carpet - which I am not thrilled about. Live and learn.

So, I found this great **no-vacuum sewing room idea** in the latest Threads magazine. And it is for insane people like me who put carpet in a sewing room.



I bought this itty-bitty paint roller at Home Depot for \$2.00. It's on the aisle with paint rollers. {duh!}



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Homemaker is
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domestic. To read more, [click here](#).

Then, I got a few of these bristly hair rollers at Target. (by the hair brushes, etc. - they cost around \$5)



I bet you've already figured this out. That's right, just slip one of those hair rollers over the paint roller.



This will be so much easier than lugging a Dyson vacuum cleaner to the second floor every time I sew. All I have to do is run this across the floor beneath my sewing table.





Quick, easy, and inexpensive. What's not to love about this.

Who knows, I may learn to love having a carpeted sewing room after all.

Leslie



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COMMENTS



Patty Virginia says

what a brilliant idea! I have carpet too, and after I finish making my steering wheel covers my carpet looks like a mess. I'm always afraid my Little Kitty will start playing with the threads and start chewing on them. This is on my list to purchase today!!! Thanks a bunch, pinned.

REPLY



Msfunstuf says

I bought a cheap vacuum on Black Friday 5 years ago (Wal Mart). It stays in my sewing room. Works great on the carpet.

REPLY



Leslie says

Walmart. Black Friday. I need to shake your hand - you must be the bravest woman on earth!

REPLY



Patty Virginia says

love this

REPLY

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Sandy says

What a great idea! I too have carpet in my sewing room (which will hopefully be replaced with wood floors one day) so this will definitely come in handy. I already have all the items I need for it too... bonus!

[REPLY](#)



wanda ll says

What about making one with magnet tape on it. Magnet tape could be put on the roller since it comes in sheets now. That way you can roll over floor and get pins up. Pins in carpet make a mess in your foot. Just an idea for thought.

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

I will have to look into this. Great idea - thanks for sharing.

[REPLY](#)



Gioia M., Portland says

That is a great idea with other applications... I wonder if it would be strong enough to pick up nails and screws for my husband during DIY projects?
Hmmm.

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

I have no idea, but let me know if it works.

[REPLY](#)



Meredith says

I've never had a sewing space without carpet, but in order to not kill my vacuum with the long threads I learned a simple solution years ago... a toilet brush. Granted, I get funny questions when someone spots it, but the long handle makes it easy to swish over the carpet and pick up those threads!

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

A toilet brush! So clever!

[REPLY](#)



Justine says

I too put carpet in my sewing room at the behest of my husband, "Your feet won't get cold". This looks like a great idea, compact and space saving.

[REPLY](#)



April says

That's a great idea, I used a new dollar store toilet brush. It's got a longer handle and I don't have to bend down so far.

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

I LOVE the toilet brush idea! Thanks for sharing.

[REPLY](#)



Jennifer says

This is a GREAT idea! Thank you for sharing! I bet this will also work well to pick up any stray threads on my tablecloth around my sewing machine. I currently use those sticky lint roller sheets and they can get costly after awhile. As for bigger jobs in your sewing room, you may consider getting a lower end vacuum on sale to dedicate to your sewing room. This roller idea is great for quick small jobs though!!

[REPLY](#)



Winnie Lung says

Super cool idea - I remember my Mother using her hairbrush way back in the 40's after sewing for us!!

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

Love the hairbrush idea. Thanks for sharing.

[REPLY](#)



Enid says

I love my carpeted sewing studio! It is warm in the winter and I can go barefoot in the summer, except when I am at the sewing machine and Yes, threads and messes occur, but after sewing for a day, I just take out my handy dandy dust buster and it is as good as new....I use a 8 amp. upright vacuum for regular cleaning days. I know you are going to love your new sewing space, it sounds like it will be a delightful place to be sewing and creative!

[REPLY](#)



Enid says

P.S.

I failed to mention, I have a Berber tight woven carpet, so it is very easy to clean and pickup . I was so tickled to get the colors of a real light grey with a light pink weave, to coordinate with the pinky peachy paint on the walls.

[REPLY](#)



Christi says

Love this idea, but love, love, love the idea of using a toilet brush. With the longer handle, it will be much easier for me to use I think. My "sewing room" is a corner in our bedroom, but I love the carpet....warm and comfy under my feet. I'd much rather have that than easier clean up on a hard wood or laminate floor.

[REPLY](#)



Dawn from I Think We Could Be Friends says

Awesome idea! THANK YOU! My office doubles as my sewing room and of course has carpet, I was just trying to pick up all the little thread ends yesterday quick before I was expecting visitors and kept debating if it would have just been quicker to lug out the vacuum!

Stopping by from Trivia Tuesdays and link party 😊 Dawn from

<http://www.ithinkwecouldbefriends.com/>

[REPLY](#)



[Michele](#) says

Cute idea. Those threads really collect! Pinned! I posted scrappy note board to the Monday party.

[REPLY](#)



Janet says

What a great! I love it. I don't have carpet in my sewing room but all the same it will be useful in getting things off the floor. Thanks for sharing.

[REPLY](#)



[Wanda Ann @ Memories by the Mile](#) says

Leslie,

Thank you for sharing at Tuesday Trivia. Now!!! This is Brilliant and I have both of those things. Pinned and sharing on fb in the morning.

Hugs,

Wanda Ann @ Memories by the Mile

[REPLY](#)



[Mogs G](#) says

I enjoyed finding your blog today via Sew Much Ado and I will be sure to come back 😊

[REPLY](#)



[Diana Rambles](#) says

Clever! You have the best tips!

[REPLY](#)



[Angela Says](#) says

Oh goodness I need this. I have carpet in my sewing area and I usually just leave the threads until I vacuum again. Now I'll just need strong magnet or something to pick up the needles I drop. 😊

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

I'll work on that magnet thing! Great idea!

[REPLY](#)



[Janet](#) says

Great idea! I even have some of those rollers (I change my hair length a lot) and the big ones never get used now. I have wood floors so I can use the masking tape on the outside kind of lint roller. But I'll bet that would pick things up out of the car carpet.

Janet

[REPLY](#)



PENNY WALKER says

YOU NEED TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO PUT A LONGER HANDLE ON IT..SAY ATTACH TO AN OLD BROOM HANDLE..N ROLL AWAY N SAVE THE BACK TO..BUT THE HAIR ROLLER...DON'T YA JUST HATE THOSE... OH DUHHH WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT IDEA...LOL...GLAD SOMEONE THOUGHT OF IT THOUGH...DARN SURE A HANDY SOLUTION...PENNY

[REPLY](#)



Patricia Krank says

Terrific idea! You are brilliant and I think I'll have to copy you now. Thanks for sharing.

Blessings,
Patti

[REPLY](#)



Cindy @ Diy beautify says

What a clever idea! Thanks for sharing 😊

[REPLY](#)



SheilaG @ Plum Doodles says

Great tip! We have carpet in our multi-purpose office/sewing/craft room, and it's a pain to drag the vac upstairs.

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

I agree. It's also a pain to plug it in and use it!

[REPLY](#)



Cindy Eikenberg says

Leslie, what a fantastic tip - I love it! Thank you so much for sharing and joining us at Best of the Weekend. Totally pinning this and sharing today! Hope you have a happy Saturday and a fabulous weekend!

[REPLY](#)



erin_maker_of_chimes says

Genius! ... AND, I think that my little dude will think it's fun to play with, which means double score for this momma!

[REPLY](#)



Jessi @ Practically Functional says

Wow this is brilliant!!! Pinning this, and thanks for sharing at my link party!

[REPLY](#)



Ann says

What a clever idea! Can't wait to try it out!

[REPLY](#)



[Angela @ CreativeBlossoming.com](#) says

This is so stinkin clever! I am with you on all the threads that get loose when sewing. Even if you're good about throwing them out, they never all end up there! Thanks for sharing!

[REPLY](#)



[Miranda @ Someday Crafts](#) says

What a fabulous tip! I didn't have a choice about the carpet in my craft room/spare bedroom, so this might come in handy! Thanks for linking up at Whatever Goes Wednesday. This was the most viewed link last week, so we'll be highlighting it at tomorrow's Whatever Goes Party. We hope you'll come by and check it out!

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

Awesome! I can't wait to stop by and see!

[REPLY](#)



[Connie](#) says

What an inspired idea! Mostly I just leave the mess and don't vacuum I'm afraid! I love this and I am Pinning. Would also love if you came over to my place and linked it up today 😊 Thanks!

[REPLY](#)



[Linda](#) says

You are amazing, girl! I love this and all your posts! Linda

[REPLY](#)



[rea](#) says

Hi Leslie! I am featuring this no-vacuum sewing room cleaner on my post that will go live tonight at 7pm, come stop by and link to the fun friday blog hop again!

huggies,
rea

[REPLY](#)



[Gioia M., Portland](#) says

Very clever! Thanks for the tip, I love little things like this 😊

[REPLY](#)



[Paula @ SweetPea](#) says

What a great idea! I make the biggest mess when I sew and also hate to lug my vacuum up two floors to clean.

[REPLY](#)



Msfunstuf says

Home Depot sells a magnet on a long handle and another on a roller with a long handle. You just roll it and it picks up pins, nails, screws, etc. a great investment.

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

Really! I am going to check that out. One for me, one for Mr. SH.

[REPLY](#)



Solange says

Fantastic! I like. I will make one...Thanks!

[REPLY](#)



Julie in WA says

Have you tried this on a design wall? I wonder if it would remove the strings easily. I have used lint rollers, but it takes a lot of sheets to get the strings off and that can get spendy!

[REPLY](#)



Leslie says

I haven't but I think it would work.

[REPLY](#)

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