



Better Hardwood Flooring

Better Service, Better Quality, Better Value

Most floor coverings need to be replaced often. Years of normal wear and tear on a hardwood floor can dull and slightly scratch the finish, but hardwood flooring can be sanded and refinished, usually every 7-10 years to ensure that it will last a lifetime.

General Wood Floor Care Tips

- **Do Not Wet Mop** - Water and hardwood floors don't mix! Use only the manufacturer's recommended cleaning products and a small damp cloth.
- **Vacuum Regularly** - Small stones, mud and gritty dirt tracked in from outside can scratch the finish of your wood floor. To help combat this, use long bristle welcome mats placed at all outside entrances for people to wipe their feet on before entering onto the floors and vacuum often using a soft bristle brush.
- **Use the Proper Furniture Glides** - Narrow wheels, chipped wooden legs or metal furniture legs can scratch or dent hardwood. Any furniture that rests directly on top of a hardwood floor should have felt protectors, or furniture coasters under all its feet. For extremely heavy objects such as a piano, use wide, non-staining rubber cups.
- **Don't Use Oil Soaps** - There are many over the counter oil-based soaps and wax based cleaning products that may damage or dull the finish of your wood floor. Even products marketed as specifically for hardwood can damage the flooring.
- **Never Wax a Urethane Floor** - If your hardwood floor has a polyurethane finish never use a paste wax on the floor's surface. A paste wax may form a sticky film on your floor and allow tracked in dirt to stick to your wood finish. Polyurethane finishes will not adhere to any wax and adding a fresh coat of polyurethane to your floor will be very difficult.
- **Wipe Spills Immediately** - When accidents happen and liquid is spilled on your hardwood floor, you should use a slightly damp white cloth, or paper towel to immediately clean up and dry the affected area.



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maintained
hardwood flooring
can last a lifetime!**

