

OAKCENT

Exceptional Wooden Flooring

Care & Maintenance of Wooden Flooring

OAKCENT offers exceptional custom-designed parquet floors and wall cladding. Spend precious moments of your life in sync with nature.

OAKCENT sparks originality and creativity with a bespoke oak European parquet floor in a variety of high-quality surfaces and colors. As a Czech family company, proud of our craftsmanship and with 30 years of experience, we reliably provide a unique solution from beginning to end.

We promise to guide you through the entire process with ease. Now that your unique floor design and installation are finalized, it's time to start taking care of your floor. We care about our customers and want you to be satisfied with your new floor for a long time. This leaflet will guide you on how best to care for your flooring so that it lasts a lifetime.



Aging of oiled floor

Natural oil is the best surface for a quality wooden floor. Your new oiled floor is well-protected against dirt and moisture because the oil has penetrated deep into the wood to create a surface layer. However, natural-based floor oil requires a certain amount of curing time to develop maximum resistance. This new floor must not be exposed to water or any other liquid within four weeks of unpacking the parquet from the original packaging. After this time, the surface treatment is well-matured and resistant to environmental effects and direct moisture. We recommend only vacuuming and keeping it as clean as possible during the ripening period. In extreme cases, it can be wiped with a wrung-out cloth with soap after two weeks.



How to care for the floor after laying

After laying the floor or during laying, construction dust can still appear, often due to unfinished construction work or interior decoration. An oiled wooden floor is very sensitive to damage from construction dust and mechanical damage during the surface's maturing period. Construction dust has a strong alkaline PH, which reacts with the immature surface. It can cause surface damage in the form of matting of the floor surface. Dust during use and cleaning of the floor also acts as a fine abrasive and may further aggravate the damage to the floor. If possible, prevent dust from forming and protect the floor from dust! If you cover the floor, make sure that the dust does not get under the cover, where it can be trampled into the pores of the wood, and dust particles can create deep, difficult-to-repair damage. Keep in mind that when you cover the floor, you also pause the maturation of the oil, and the maturation time is accordingly extended. Do not cover the floor for more than three weeks. Before the first wet cleaning, the floor needs to be vacuumed sufficiently, wiped well with a wrung-out mop using Clean&CARE, and finally wiped once more using ReNEW.

How to prevent floor damage

1. To clean and care for the floors, use only the products prescribed by the manufacturer and never any other cleaning products. Non-original products can damage the surface, and the floor can subsequently get dirty quickly. Even one wipe of the floor with the wrong product or just water can damage the surface.

2. If the floor seems too dull, dry, or without protection, it is necessary to protect the floor. You can do this by using a quadruple concentration of Clean&CARE, an easy and quick solution for dry surfaces. If liquid stains form, we recommend a professional application of polished ReNEW, treatment with oil spray, or re-oiling with professional oil. Contact us for these professional floor treatment options.

3. The maximum surface temperature of the wooden floor should not exceed +27°C. There is a risk of cracks, fissures, joints, and possible damage at higher temperatures. Check with your underfloor heating installer and pay attention to the area around your fireplace and stove. We recommend placing protection in the form of glass, tiles, or sheet metal on the floor in front of radiant heat sources.

4. We recommend installing cleaning mats at the entrance to rooms with wooden floors. Attach felt pads to furniture parts that move on the floor (table legs, chairs, cabinets, flowerpots). When rearranging the furniture, place mats around the room to avoid scratching the floor.

5. If you spill any liquid on the wooden floor, dry it as soon as possible. If the area is not dried in time, the liquid may leave a stain. If this happens, after the wood has thoroughly dried, try to lightly polish the damaged area and re-oil it with oil of the appropriate color. Do not hesitate to consult us about the procedure.

6. Do not place flowerpots directly on the floor. Any moisture cannot dry out. This leads to the formation of mold and damage to the floor.

7. Liquid stains that can no longer be removed with the Clean&CARE solution may disappear on their own over time. Wood has a particular self-cleaning effect, and various stains may disappear over time.

8. Very dark floors and very light floors are more susceptible to damage and clogging of wood pores with dirt. This is especially true shortly after installation, typically dust from construction or improper maintenance. Before laying this type of floor, complete all construction work that produces swirling construction dust. If this happens and the floor is damaged after all dust sources have been removed, it is necessary to treat the floor with surface protection. Do not hesitate to consult us about the procedure.

9. We recommend painting the walls in rooms with a wooden floor before laying the floor to prevent damage to the floor. If you need to repair wall paint after laying the floor, carefully cover the floor.

10. Some carpets may contain a non-slip layer on the underside which can stick to a wooden floor's surface and damage it over time. Pay extra attention when choosing a carpet.

11. If the floor is covered for a long time with a carpet, furniture, or another object, the shade of the floor may change. After moving the object, a color or shade difference may be visible. This will even out over time. We do not recommend covering the floors during the curing period, i.e., four weeks after laying.

Air environmental conditions

Wood is a natural material. If a wood floor becomes moist, it can absorb water, and its dimensions may expand. When the humidity in a room decreases, the floor dries out, and the dimensions are reduced. This type of joint formation is a natural property of wood. It can be caused by the environment, especially in the winter, when the humidity in heated rooms drops below 45%.

In general, the wider the plank floor is, the greater the deviation in size that can be measured for an individual parquet.

In extreme cases, a persistently low percentage of moisture can lead to floor damage. For this reason, we recommend purchasing a hygrometer for monitoring and placing air humidifiers in heated and under-dried rooms. The same applies to rooms with air conditioning and rooms with a fireplace. Maintaining a healthy climate in the room is important, i.e., humidity 50 - 60% and temperature around 20 °C (min. 15 °C). These values benefit both your health and your wooden floor.

A suitable environment for living and the stability of wood

Temperature	35															
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	15															
	10															
Humidity %	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	

Clean & CARE

For wet washing of wooden floors.

Clean & CARE has excellent cleaning capabilities. Daily cleaning requires only wiping the floor with a wet mop.

How to clean.

Just use 1-2 capfuls per 10 liters of warm water for regular floor washing. Wipe the floor with a damp mop (not too wet) along the grain and let the floor dry. If necessary, carry out a dry cleaning in advance, ideally by vacuuming. If the floor is dirtier, the dosage of the product can be increased accordingly. The product can also be used undiluted in case of local dirt that cannot be wiped off with a mop. After that, however, you need to wipe the area with water.

Warning: Rags made of ordinary microfibers cause minor damage to the wooden surface. They can tear out the wood fibers, which causes the floor to become rough.

Clean&CARE is an environmentally friendly, very generous cleaning agent. It is made from natural ingredients, does not contain chemical preservatives, does not irritate the skin, and is biodegradable. It is intended for the effective cleaning of oiled wooden floors and can also be used on waxed, glazed, and lacquered surfaces, furniture, window frames, doors, tiles, and many other surfaces. As with all Biofa products, it is very pleasant to work with, and its use respects the nature around us.

Safety Warning:

Keep out of reach of children. In case of eye contact, rinse immediately under running water. If swallowed, seek medical advice and show the container or label. Storage: Keep in a cool and dry place in a tightly-closed container. Protect from frost.



ReNEW

Wax maintenance of wooden floors

ReNEW is a wax emulsion intended for occasional maintenance, regeneration, and extending the surface life of oiled floors. It creates a protective wax microfilm. It contains the hardest Carnouba wax, increasing the resistance of the natural floor.

How to care.

First, clean the surface well using ReNEW and let it dry thoroughly. To treat the floor, use five capfuls per five liters of lukewarm water to thin the solution. Spread evenly with a rag or mop and allow to dry. If the floor is too slippery or shiny, reduce the amount of concentrate. We recommend doing a test coat first before painting the entire surface.

ReNEW is an environmentally friendly and effective floor protection. It was developed to be combined with Clean&CARE as a perfect maintenance system for oiled floors.

This rich concentrate is made entirely of natural ingredients, contains no chemicals, does not irritate the skin, and is biodegradable. It can be used on all oiled, glazed, varnished, and waxed surfaces. The treated surface is matte and becomes shiny through polishing. Smudges may form on an unpolished surface, but the surface will become uniform again with subsequent use.

Safety Warning:

Keep out of reach of children. In case of eye contact, rinse immediately under running water. If swallowed, seek medical advice and show the container or label.

Storage: Keep in a cool and dry place in a tightly-closed container. Protect from frost. Work tool cleaning: Clean immediately after finishing work with water or soap.

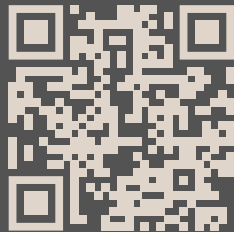
We believe that wood processed with love emanates the harmony of joy, comfort, and beauty in interiors. Wood allows us to maintain our contact with nature and cherish it on a daily basis. The presence of wood promotes both a respect toward nature and life itself.



Beyond expectations

Be inspired by our other projects using bespoke oak wood. Join us on a journey to discover unique solutions.

Our job is to exceed your expectations. When it comes to Wooden Flooring, we make your dreams come true. Did you know that we can also creatively arrange wall and ceiling cladding, in addition to floors?



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