

Wood Floor

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Nowadays wood floor is the most popular residential flooring material not only because their natural, warm & elegant features but also their vividness and conciseness. All these characteristics are compatible to the life style which people are in fast steps every day. There are 3 kinds of wood floor hardwood, laminate and engineering wood, which dominate the market at present.



Besides the 3 types, we have to mention Cork which has been over hundred years. It is common in the local home built in 30s or 40s. Due to the limited pattern and requirement of maintenance as well as the cost, it receded from market but came back in the late of 90s for its natural, tactile, heat and sound proof properties. Therefore, it may become a main option in future. Hardwood has long history and is mostly made by Oak, Maple or birch etc. Because they inherently have rosin, they are anticorrosive and mothproof. Most hardwood floor was installed by tongue and groove, which is skill required. Amateurish work could cause loose pieces and noise. The main enemy of hardwood is moisture which could deform the floor planks. Hardwood still requires high maintenance. Therefore the engineering wood has been developed, which only the top is hardwood but substrate is laminated. This product is close to the performance of real hardwood but does not need too much maintenance. In the last 20 years, the more economical, even lower maintenance required laminate floor is leading the market.

There are some maintenance tips for wood floors. 1, everyday cleaning: to use vacuum or half dry mop to clean, use furniture wax to treat any burn stain; 2, regularly wax which can extend life expectancy; 3, to use mild cleanser to clean any spill and stain; 4, To avoid any scratch & do not drag furniture on floor, also put padding under the heavy stuff; 5, to reduce moisture contact and sun light over exposure, monitor any areas close to bath and kitchen; 6, sanding and painting in a period of time and spots fix these have to be done by professional.