

# FLOORS FOR ALL WALKS

WITH OUR WIDE SELECTION OF WOOD AND LAMINATE FLOORING, YOU'LL BE OVERJOYED BY WHAT'S UNDERFOOT.

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## Decisions, decisions.

When choosing a floor, you may find yourself torn between wood and laminate. And with more color and style options than ever—including alternative woods such as cork, and laminates created to mimic materials

as diverse as oak and stone—it's easy to get tripped up.

Fear not. We'll walk you through the benefits of both floor types to help you select the one that's right for you and your home.

**TURN** 

See Notebook on page 63 to identify these wood and laminate floors.

## FRIENDLY FLOORING

These materials make a big impact on your home—and a small impact on the planet.

### CORK

The soft, cellular structure of cork—harvested as bark from living trees—adds natural, eco-friendly insulation.

### BAMBOO

While technically not wood (it's a wood-like grass), bamboo is a fast-growing, renewable resource that makes a beautiful floor.



## WHY WOOD?

**BEAUTY** The rich, warm grain of wood brings the outdoors in.

**TIMELESSNESS** Unlike some floor types (looking at you, shag carpet), wood won't cycle in and out of style.

**DISTINCTION** Since no two trees are exactly alike, you can be sure your wood flooring is one of a kind.

**VALUE** Wood floors add value to your home.

**LONGEVITY** Wood flooring is durable, long-lasting, and often comes with a lifetime warranty.

Hardwood floors come in more species, widths, and colors than ever before. In addition to solid wood (nail-down installation) and engineered wood (glue or staple installation), new locking wood floors feature an easy-to-install tongue-and-groove system. No messy glue or nails needed.



## EASY CLEANING TIPS

DON'T LET MUCK RUN AMOK ON YOUR FLOORS.

Lay mats by entry doors to catch dirt. Wood and laminate aren't fans of moisture, so make sure you clean up spills immediately. Regularly clean your floor with a high-quality cleaner such as Bona's premium spray mop (#294659). The ergonomic design and large, washable pad makes cleaning floors a breeze. Cleaners are available for wood and laminate flooring.

## WHY LAMINATE?

**VARIETY** Laminate floors come in a wide range of colors and capture the look of an array of materials, including wood, stone, and tile.

**LOW MAINTENANCE** No sanding or refinishing is required to keep your floors looking good.

**AFFORDABILITY** Laminate offers great value and costs less to purchase and install than wood.

**DURABILITY** Have children or pets? Laminate floors take 'em in stride by resisting scratches and stains. Laminate also stands up to dents.

**EASY TO INSTALL** Simple locking construction makes laminate floors easy to install in a weekend—even by the novice DIYer.

Locking planks make all laminate flooring super-easy to install. Use an underlayment for moisture protection and soundproofing. Learn how to install laminate flooring at [LowesCreativeIdeas.com/Extras](http://LowesCreativeIdeas.com/Extras).

- A. SwiftLock Plus high-gloss Acappella Jatoba, #141505
- B. Pergo Max Natural Oak, #90870
- C. SwiftLock Antique Hickory, #9497
- D. Pergo Max American Beech, #44686
- E. Armstrong high-gloss Aged Cherry, #326558
- F. Armstrong high-gloss Caramel Birch, #88924
- G. SwiftLock Plus Chestnut Hickory, #319920
- H. Pergo Max Goldenrod Hickory, #45865
- I. Armstrong long-plank Brazilian Sapele #93339