



How to Care for Natural Oiled Floors

Natural oiled floors require specifically formulated cleaners. Only use products approved to clean natural oiled floors on Vintage Loft products.

Real Wood Floors product line Vintage Loft utilizes natural hard-wax oil finishing technology. This European technology gives pre-finished floors a new level of sophistication both in aesthetic appearance and in maintenance.

Thin coats of low gloss oil give floors the most natural look possible in a factory finished product. Real Wood Floors has researched coatings for years trying to find a factory applied finish that yielded an end product without the plastic unnatural finish look. Natural hard-wax oils are the answer. This new technology utilizes a base coat of UV cured oil to protect the wood from staining and a second top coat of hard-wax oil that offers the low gloss natural look that consumers are looking for.

Hard-wax oil also offers the homeowner the opportunity to do spot maintenance on wear pattern traffic or small scratch marks, a feature that was previously not possible with aluminum oxide film finishes. With the old technology any scratching or wearing of the factory applied coats had to be refreshed or updated by a professional technician. This new hard-wax oil technology allows homeowners to maintain the floor themselves without calling in the professionals.

We offer three separate products to care for your natural oiled floors. We've partnered with the finish manufacturer to utilize their cleaning products that are specially formulated to work with the hard-wax oil we utilize in the finish process.

Hydro-Cleaner Wood Floor Cleaner (B730-30006)

What it is: Hydro Cleaner is an environmentally friendly waterborne floor cleaner and film remover for sealed hardwood floors.

Cleaning

Directions: Remove furniture, rugs, etc. Before application, wipe up all food and liquid spills and sweep or vacuum floor.

Application: For use, spray a light mist over a 6 ft. x 6 ft. (or smaller) square area. Do not pour cleaner directly on the floor. Make light even strokes with a soft cloth or applicator pad to get the desired results. Sponges, string mops or saturated cloths are not recommended. Spray and clean one small area at a time until you have cleaned the entire surface. Heel marks and heavier dirt marks can be removed with a cloth soaked with Hydro Cleaner.

When to use: Weekly/bi-weekly basic cleaning of floors

Hydro Care Wood Floor Protector (B730-30016)

What it is: Hydro Care Protector is an environmentally friendly waterborne maintenance product that can be used on naturally oiled floors. Hydro Care Protector is intended to refresh the appearance in traffic areas of the floor while providing a thin, soil resistant protective coating.

Cleaning

Directions: Best results will be realized after a full cleaning with Hydro-cleaner. Remove furniture, rugs, etc. Before application, wipe up all food and liquid spills and sweep or vacuum floor.

Application: Remove furniture, rugs, etc., then vacuum, sweep or dust mop floor. Before application, wipe up all food and liquid spills and sweep or vacuum floor. Clean floor properly before use with Hydro Cleaner. Gently shake Hydro-Care for 30 seconds. For use, spray a very thin coat of product onto the floor and spread. Work in sections small enough to keep the applicator pad wet and smooth with the grain. Continue until the entire floor is finished. Rinse applicator pad with water. Allow floor to dry at least 1 hour before walking. For best results always perform a test on a small inconspicuous area to determine compatibility and to ensure you like the newly polished look. A second coat may be applied after 2 hours if needed. Allow 24 hours before heavy traffic.

When to use: Apply every 4-12 weeks depending on traffic pattern and desired sheen. Heavier traffic areas may require more frequent applications. Protect from frost and freezing.

Natural Wax Care for Natural Oiled and Pre-finished Floors (B730-30025)

What it is: Natural Wax Care is applied to natural oiled floors to lightly re-coat the surface with a new impregnation of oil. Freshly oiled floors will exhibit a silky sheen finish. Natural Wax Care is used when surfaces are showing scratches or when wear patterns start to show in high traffic areas.

Application: Maintenance with Natural Wax Care will refresh Pre-finished Floors, Natural Oiled Floors, UV Oiled Floors and UV Floors. Old layers of wax and maintenance products have to be removed before application of Natural Wax Care. Hydro Cleaner is recommended. Apply Natural Wax Care sparingly and spread on the floor with a soft cotton cloth or white pad. Do not use any type of microfiber mop as it may scratch your flooring. Avoid excess. Allow to dry 6 hours after application and polishing at room temperature.

Caution!! Place material soaked / used cloths in water, due to danger of self ignition.

When to use: 1-3 times annually based on desired sheen level and level of traffic.