HURFORDS FLOORING RANGE



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SOLID HARDWOOD FLOORING

A solid Hardwood Floor is an investment for a lifetime. It not only adds value to your home but makes a statement of timeless style all on its own.



Eucalyptus saligna

A popular species for its beautiful colour, straight grains, strong and hard natural attributes. Making it sought after for both domestic and commercial flooring projects.

THERMALLY ENHANCED SYDNEY BLUE GUM

Eucalyptus saligna

A process using a unique temperature schedule through the drying process to create a colour palette that reflects a more scarlet intensity.

RED IRONBARK

Eucalyptus sideroxylon

A lustful red, Red Ironbark combines an inspiring cathedral grain pattern with a deep dark rough colour.

TURPENTINE

Syncarpia glomulifera

With beautiful deep chocolate reddish brown colouring, Turpentine is a floor that matches well with contemporary interior styling.

BRUSHBOX

Lophostemon confertus

Brings warmth, displays appealing features and matches well with modern elegant spaces. Brush Box has an even texture with very tight interlocking grain.

GREY BOX

Eucalyptus macrocarpa

Grey Box offers a palette that is best described as a combination of dark nutty honey through to soft wheat colours, and has an interesting cathedral grain pattern.

GREY IRONBARK

Eucalyptus paniculata

Offering a large variety of colour from dark chocolate to nutty honey with some dark reddish brown. Recognised as an extremely hardwearing timber, perfect for high traffic areas.

THERMALLY ENHANCED GREY IRONBARK

Eucalyptus paniculata

A process using a unique temperature schedule through the drying process to create a colour palette that reflects a more scarlet intensity.

SPOTTED GUM

Corymbia maculata

Spotted Gum is a rich individual timber, desired by architects and designers the world over, particularly for its striking backsawn grain structure, attractive fiddleback and vibrant colour palette.

QLD SPOTTED GUM

Corymbia maculata

QLD Spotted Gum has a large variation in colour. Boards can appear from a light-dark brown to a deep red. It is a slightly darker flooring to Spotted Gum. timber floors

SILVERTOP

Eucalyptus laevopinea

Being a contemporary neutral colour, Silvertop compliments well with a large variety of modern interior decors.

TALLOWWOOD

Eucalyptus microcorys

A gold honey tone with a tinge of olive green. Tallowwood is also free of gum vein with an interlocking grain.

NEW ENGLAND BLACKBUTT

Eucalyptus andrewsii

Straight grained timber with a warm nutty hue which will compliment a range of interior designs where a lighter neutral palette is required.

WHIAN WHIAN BLACKBUTT Eucalyptus pilularis

While similar to Blackbutt, Whian Whian Blackbutt is of lighter appearance in colour. The colour range is subtle and is excellent where the colour requirements is light and neutral. Characteristics are alike to Blackbutt.

BLACKBUTT

Eucalyptus pilularis

Blackbutt has a colour ranging from a golden yellow through to pale browns. The colour range is subtle and is excellent where the colour requirements is light and neutral.

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CYPRESS PINE

Callitris columellaris

The colour tones often represent a pale yellow with some exceptions of darker browns and will have distinctively small, tight knots throughout.

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ROASTED PEAT

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A high temperature thermally modified hardwood is obtained by using a custom designed heating program to alter the wood's molecular structure. Roasted Peat ranges from natural dark earth hues to dark chocolate tones.

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ROASTED CAYENNE

A high temperature thermally modified hardwood is obtained by using a custom designed heating program to alter the wood's molecular structure. Roasted Cayenne has an intimate reddish bronze palette



Solid Flooring Specifications

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Species Product Matrix	86 x 10mm	83 x 12mm	86 x 12mm	83 x 14mm	130 x 14mm	180 x 14mm	85 x 14mm	60 x 19mm	80 x 19mm	130 x 19mm	180 x 21mm
Blackbutt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brush Box	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Flood Gum/Rose Gum									0	0	
Grey Box											
Grey Ironbark	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mixed Hardwood								0	0	0	
New England Blackbutt		0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Red Ironbark	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Roasted Cayenne	0			0	 128 x 14mm	○ 178 x 14mm					
Roasted Peat	0			0	 128 x 14mm	 178 x 14mm					
Silvertop		0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Spotted Gum - NSW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spotted Gum - QLD				0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sydney Blue Gum	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tallowwood	0	0		0	0	0	0	0		0	0
Thermally Enhanced Grey Ironbark		0		0	0	0	0	0		0	0
Thermally Enhanced NSW Spotted Gum				0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Thermally Enhanced Sydney Blue Gum		0		0		0	0		0	0	0
Turpentine		0		0	0	0			0	0	0
Whian Whian Blackbutt									0	0	0
White Mahogany		0		0	0	0			0	0	0

Cypress Pine available in 62 x 20mm, 85 x 20mm, 98 x 20mm, 100 x 20mm, 108 x 20mm, 133 x 20mm

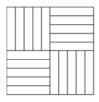
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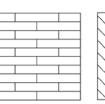


A contemporary take on a historic style...

For a standout and visually appealing designed floor, Hurford's XL Parquetry will give your home or commercial space a unique feature with the charm of historic style.

Single blocks are manufactured so they can be installed into endless parquetry patterns, popular patterns suggested are Herringbone, Brick Pattern and Square on Square. A selection of Australian native species are available for you to choose.

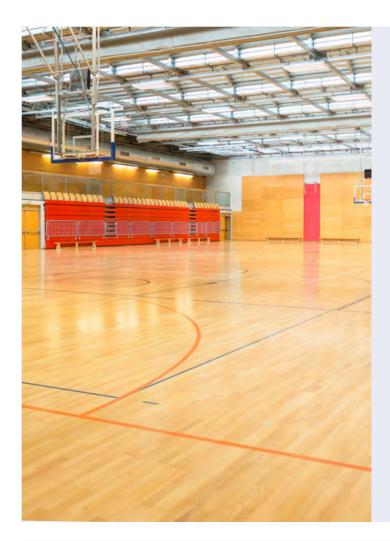






XL Parquetry Specifications

Species:	Blackbutt, Brush Box, Grey Ironbark, New England Blackbutt, Red Ironbark, Silvertop, Spotted Gum – NSW, Spotted Gum – QLD, Sydney Blue Gum, Thermally Enhanced Sydney Blue Gum, *Roasted Peat & Roasted Cayenne (Other species available on request)
Grade:	Prestige
Profile:	Secret Nail, Tongue & Groove, End Matched
Coating:	Uncoated (Sand and coat once installed)
Size:	130mm x 14mm *Roasted Peat & Roasted Cayenne 128 x 14mm (Different widths available on request)
Length:	650mm *Roasted Peat & Roasted Cayenne 640mm (Different lengths available on request)
Coverage:	1.014M²/box *Roasted Peat & Roasted Cayenne 0.983 M²/box
Packaging:	12 pieces per box – Left and Right Box
Install Over:	Wood, particle board, plywood & plywood over concrete



WE UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF PERFORMANCE.

Hurford's have developed unique product specific drying and processing techniques that assure the quality and stability of all Hurford Sports Flooring.

Our specialty hardwood flooring is ideal for basketball courts, volleyball courts, gymnasiums, handball courts, futsal pitches, aerobics, dance studios and multi-purpose halls.

HURFORD SPORTS FLOOR

THE IMPORTANCE IN SELECTING THE RIGHT FINISH FOR YOUR FLOOR.

Choosing Hurford's high quality solid hardwood flooring is an important step to having a beautiful floor installed in your home, but choosing what finish is applied on top of it can make all the difference to the look and feel. Finish choices are developing at a rapid pace and products that give a more natural deep earthly tone are becoming popular.



Blue Gum with Water Based Finish



Blue Gum with Oil Based Finish

The above example shows 2 panels of Sydney Blue Gum Flooring with alternate finishes applied. A water based finish gives a lighter appearance whereas an oiled finish brings out a darker tone. These examples are only indicative however they show that a deeper red colour can be achieved depending upon the finish that is applied.

It is recommended to test different finishes on offcut flooring pieces to finalise your finish choice.



American Oak

American Oak is a popular species for flooring due to its interesting and pronounced grain pattern. American Oak is also a species that takes stain extremely well, meaning that a multitude of colours can be achieved with little fuss. Hurford's import raw American Oak feed stock, and the timber is re-dried, treated, machined and graded.

American Oak is grown predominantly on the East Coast of the United States. All the White Oak raw material that Hurford's source is from reputable sawmills that practice sustainable forestry.

Species	American Oak
Grade	Prestige or Rustic
Profile	Top Nail, Tongue & Groove (End Matched)
Size	130x19mm, 155x19mm, 180x21mm, 205x21mm & 220x21mm
Lengths	600mm – 4,500mm
Colours	Golden honey browns, some boards can have hints of soft pink tones.



Nothing quite captures the romance of a beautiful hardwood floor, like genuine French Oak.

From the base in Vermelles, France, our own staff source sawn French Oak boards from boutique French Sawmills, through a strict forestry scheme. The sawn French Oak boards are then dried to the rigorous Hurford's standard before the final production and quality assurance phase. Hurford's genuine French Oak Solid Hardwood Flooring is graded to capture all the character and charm of this extraordinary resource.

Species	French Oak
Grade	Provincial, Rustic
Profile	Top Nail Tongue & Groove (End Matched)
Size	83mm x 12mm, 130mm x 12mm, 180mm x 21mm, 195mm x 21mm, 205mm x 21mm,
Lengths	600mm – 2, 500mm

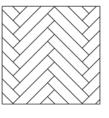




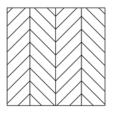
Solid Oak Block Parquetry Herringbone and Chevron

Parquetry is a unique floor system with its decorative patterns, adds quality and value to new and renovated spaces.

Species	European Oak
Grade	Prestige
Profile	Square Edge
Size	123mm x 18mm
Lengths	700mm
Coating	RAW (Sand and coat once installed)
Pieces Per Box	12 Pieces
Coverage Per Box	1.033m ²



Herringbone Pattern



Chevron Pattern

ENGINERED FLOORING

Experience the natural beauty of real wood with the durability and versatility of modern engineering of Hurford's Engineered Flooring ranges for a stunning and long-lasting flooring solution.

AUSTRALIAN NATIVE **BY HURFORD'S** SPOTTED GUM AUSTRALIAN NATIVE H E R R I N G B O N E BLACKBUTT BLACKBUTT - HERRINGBONE RUSTIC BLACKBUTT **Australian Native Australian Native** Herringbone Specifications Specifications Species Blackbutt, Blackbutt, Blackbutt, SILVERTOP Rustic Blackbutt, Rustic Blackbutt, Rustic Blackbutt, Blue Gum, Brush Spotted Gum & Spotted Gum, Brush Box, QLD Spotted Gum QLD Spotted Gum Box, Silvertop, Spotted Gum & & Sydney Blue Gum QLD Spotted Gum Surface Australian Australian Australian Hardwood Smooth Hardwood Smooth Hardwood Smooth SPOTTED GUM Välinge 5G Tongue & Groove Locking Välinge 5G Glueless Glueless (Side and Ends) System Joining System Joining System Micro Bevel Edge Profile Micro Bevel Micro Bevel (Sides and Ends) (Sides and Ends) (Sides and Ends) BRUSH BOX Bona UV Coating Bona UV Bona UV Lacquer system, Lacquer system, Lacquer system, Matte 8-12% Matte 8-12% Matte 8-12%

120mm

600mm

14mm (Lamella

8 pieces per box -

Nominal 4mm)

Set A (Left) &

Set B (Right)

Size

Length

Thickness

Packaging

132mm

1.830mm &

14mm (Lamella

Nominal 4mm)

8 rows per box,

max 3 nested rows

max 4 nested rows

Rustic Blackbutt:

8 rows per box,

2,190mm

180mm

1.830mm &

14mm (Lamella

Nominal 4mm)

6 rows per box,

max 3 nested rows

Rustic Blackbutt:

max 4 nested rows

6 rows per box,

2,190mm

QLD SPOTTED

GUM

SYDNEY

BLUE GUM









SPOTTED GUM - SATIN





AMERICAN WHITE OAK

BLACKBUTT

TALLOWWOOD

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SYDNEY BLUE GUM

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Specifications	SATIN	MATTE	ΟΑΚ	
Species	Blackbutt, Brush Box, Ironbark, Jarrah*, Spotted Gum & Sydney Blue Gum	Blackbutt, Brush Box, Ironbark, Silvertop, Spotted Gum, Sydney Blue Gum & Tallowwood	American White Oak	BRUSH
Surface	Australian Hardwood Smooth	Australian Hardwood Smooth	Australian Hardwood Smooth	
Locking System	Välinge 2G Glueless Joining System	Välinge 5G Glueless Joining System	Välinge 2G Glueless Joining System	
Edge Profile	Micro Bevel (Side and Ends)	Micro Bevel (Side and Ends)	Micro Bevel (Side and Ends)	IRON
Coating	13 coat system incorporating Aluminium Oxide - Satin Finish	13 coat system incorporating Aluminium Oxide - Matte Finish	13 coat system incorporating Aluminium Oxide - Matte Finish	SY
Size	136mm & 186mm	136mm	186mm	BLUE
Length	1,830mm	1,830mm	1,830mm	
Thickness	13.5mm (0.6mm Veneer)	12.5mm (0.6mm Veneer)	13.5mm (0.6mm Veneer)	
Packaging	6 rows per carton, up to 2 nested rows	6 rows per carton, up to 2 nested rows	6 rows per carton, up to 2 nested rows	JAI

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First Floors Specifications

Species	Blackbutt	Spotted Gum	Blackbutt, Spotted Gum	Roasted Peat	Blackbutt, Spotted Gum
Surface	Australian Hardwood Light Brushed	Australian Hardwood Light Brushed	Australian Hardwood Light Brushed	Australian Hardwood Non-Brushed	Australian Hardwood Non-Brushed
Locking System	Tongue & Groove (Side & Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Side & Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Side & Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Side & Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Side & Ends)
Edge Profile	Micro Bevel	Micro Bevel	Micro Bevel	Micro Bevel	Square Edge
Coating	Invisible BONA UV Lacquer Matte	BONA UV Lacquer Matte	BONA UV Craft Oil Matte	BONA UV Craft Oil Matte	RAW (Uncoated)
Size	135mm	135mm	135mm & 180mm	180mm	135mm & 180mm
Length	1,830mm & 2,190mm	1,830mm & 2,190mm	1,830mm & 2,190mm	1,830mm & 2,190mm	1,830mm & 2,190mm
Thickness	14mm (Lamella Nominal 4mm)	14mm (Lamella Nominal 4mm)	14mm (Lamella Nominal 4mm)	14mm (Lamella Nominal 4mm)	14mm (Lamella Nominal 4mm)
Packaging	8 rows per box, max of 3 nested rows	8 rows per box, max of 3 nested rows	135mm : 8 rows per box, max of 3 nested rows	6 rows per box, maximum of 2 nested rows	135mm : 8 rows per box, max of 3 nested rows
			180mm : 6 rows per box, max of 2 nested rows		180mm : 6 rows per box, max of 2 nested rows

SHOWCASE THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF OUR AUSTRALIAN SPECIES WITH OUR NEW UV LACQUER RANGE OF FLOORING.

The new 'Invisible' UV Lacquer finish helps to bring out the warm, gentle feel of our Blackbutt flooring while the addition of non-yellowing agents ensure that your floor will maintain a clear look throughout its lifetime.

The vibrant richness of colour found in Spotted Gum flooring lends itself to a traditional UV Lacquer finish which helps to accentuate the impressive spectrum of colours available in this timber.

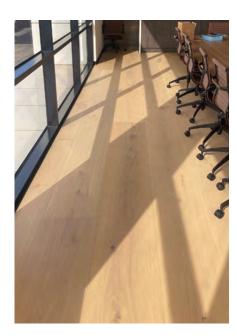
LUXURY IN ANY SPACE BRINGS THE FEELING OF STYLE AND SOPHISTICATION, AND STARTS FROM THE FLOOR UP.

First Floors is a premium engineered floor, with its slightly textured surface and modern matte oil finish it is the perfect choice for interiors of distinction. With the coastal golden rays of Blackbutt, the attractive wild warmth of Spotted Gum and the deep rich tones of Roasted Peat this boutique collection offers only the finest from our Australian species.

Roasted Peat, is an Australian Hardwood that has been through a thermal modification process that uses no chemicals to permanently alter the structure of the wood fibre. This process greatly increases the stability and density of the hardwood, as well as locking in the gorgeous deep earth to chocolate brown colour tones.

We use a stable hevea core along with native Australian hardwood lamellas to provide a consistent and sturdy construction in all our flooring.

Choose from one of our prefinished options for long lasting and easy-to-maintain protection or take advantage of the high degree of flexibility offered by our raw timber to perfectly match your floor to its surroundings.





First Floors 400mm Wide Oak Specifications	NATURAL	RAW
Surface	European Oak Lightly Brushed	European Oak Smooth
Locking System	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)
Edge Profile	Micro Bevel (Sides and Ends)	Square Edge
Coating	Invisible BONA UV Lacquer	RAW (Uncoated)
Size	400mm	400mm
Length	2,800mm & 5,000mm	2,800mm & 5,000mm
Thickness	20mm (Lamella Nominal 5mm)	20mm (Lamella Nominal 5mm)
Construction	Multi Ply – Eucalyptus Substrate and Birch Back Layer	Multi Ply – Eucalyptus Substrate and Birch Back Layer
Install Suitability	Glue Down	Glue Down
Packaging	2 rows per box, some boxes contain nested rows. No less than 1,000mm for the nested length	2 rows per box, some boxes contain nested rows. No less than 1,000mm for the nested length

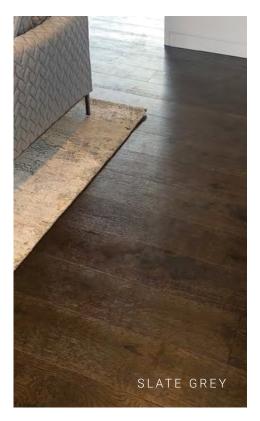


Genuine Oak Specifications	260/20	240/15	190/15	190/14
Colour Stains	Snowfall, Hamptons, White Wash, Natural Clear, Western, Barrel, Slate Grey and RAW (Uncoated)	Whitehaven, Snowfall, Hamptons, White Wash, Natural Clear, Western, Distress, Smouldered, Caramel, Urban, Barrel, Vintage, Wheat, Slate Grey, Ash, Smokey, Chocolate, Tuxedo, Sterling, Nuage, Contrast & RAW (Uncoated)	Whitehaven, Snowfall, Hamptons, White Wash, Natural Clear, Western, Distress, Smouldered, Caramel, Urban, Barrel, Vintage, Wheat, Slate Grey, Ash, Smokey, Chocolate, Tuxedo, Sterling, Nuage, Contrast & RAW (Uncoated)	Whitehaven, Snowfall, Hamptons, White Wash, Natural Clear, Western, Distress, Smouldered, Caramel, Urban, Barrel, Vintage, Wheat, Ash, Sterling, Smokey, Nuage, Chocolate, Slate Grey, Contrast & Tuxedo
Surface	Subtle Brush Texture Oak - Character	Subtle Brush Texture Oak - Prime	Subtle Brush Texture Oak - Character	Subtle Brush Texture Oak - Character
Locking System	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)
Edge Profile	Micro Bevel	Micro Bevel	Micro Bevel	Micro Bevel
Coating	UV cured 5 coat Ciranova Lacquer system - Ultra Matte	UV cured 7 coat Treffert Lacquer system - Ultra Matte	UV cured 7 coat Treffert Lacquer system - Ultra Matte	UV cured 7 coat Treffert Lacquer system - Ultra Matte
Size	260mm	240mm	190mm	190mm
Length	2,200mm	2,200mm	1,900mm	1,900mm
Thickness	20mm (Lamella 6mm)	15mm (Lamella 4mm)	15mm (Lamella 4mm)	14mm (Lamella 3mm)
Packaging	4 rows per box, 1 nested row multiple boards up to 3, minimum 600mm	5 rows per box, 1 nested row multiple boards up to 3, minimum 600mm	6 rows per box, max of 2 nested rows	6 rows per box, max of 2 nested rows

*Hurford's offer RAW, a pre-sanded, square edge and unfinished product, designed to be installed and finished on site. An ideal substitute if the stains in our pre-finished range aren't quite what you're looking for

















Naked Oak Specifications	NATURAL	RAW
Surface	Light Brushed Texture - Oak Prime	Smooth Lightly Sanded - Oak Prime
Locking System	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)
Edge Profile	Micro Bevel (Sides and Ends)	Fine Sand, Square Edge
Coating	UV Lacquer Matte	RAW (Uncoated)
Size	190mm	190mm
Length	1,830mm & 2,190mm	1,830mm & 2,190mm
Thickness	14mm (Lamella Nominal 4mm)	14mm (Lamella Nominal 4mm)
Packaging	6 rows per box, max of 2 nested rows	6 rows per box, max of 2 nested rows



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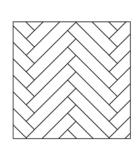
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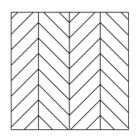


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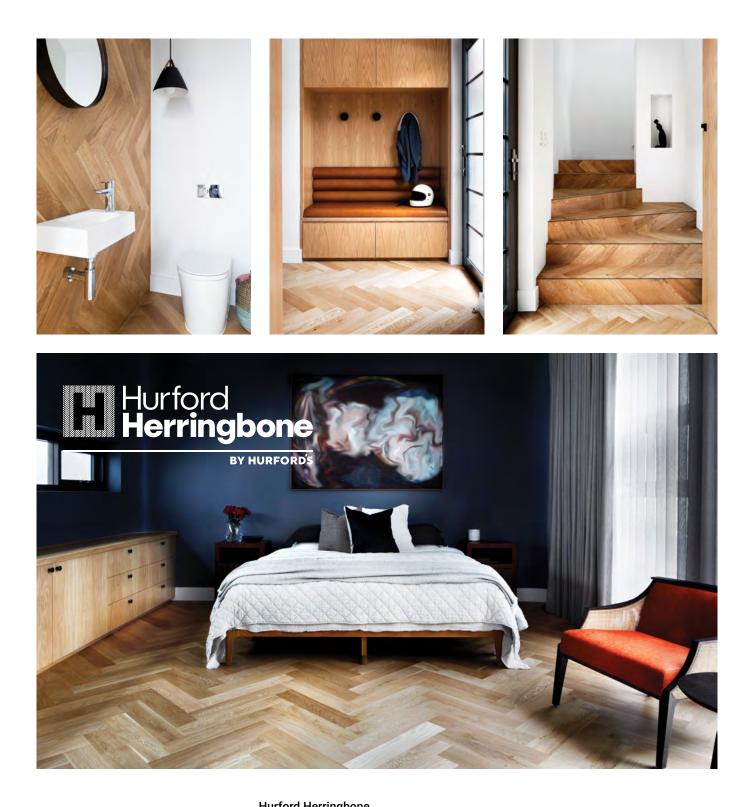


Herringbone Pattern



Chevron Pattern

Hurford's Parquetry Specifications	PRE-FINISH COLOUR	RAW
Colours	Natural Clear, Western, Blonde, Mink & Hazel	RAW (Uncoated)
Pattern	Chevron or Herringbone	Chevron or Herringbone
Surface	Light Brushed Texture - Oak Character	Smooth Lightly Sanded - Oak Character
Locking System	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)	Tongue & Groove (Sides and Ends)
Edge Profile	Micro Bevel (Sides and Ends)	Fine Sand, Square Edge (Side and Ends)
Coating	UV cured 6 coat Klumpp system - Ultra Matte	RAW (Uncoated)
Size	150mm	150mm
Length	750mm	750mm
Thickness	14mm (Lamella Nominal 3mm)	14mm (Lamella Nominal 3mm)
Packaging	20 pieces per box	20 pieces per box



Hurford Herringbone Specifications	RAW	
Surface	Smooth Lightly Sanded - Oak Prime	
Locking System	Tongue & Groove (Sides & Ends)	
Edge Profile	Square Edge, Side & Ends	
Coating	RAW (Uncoated)	
Size	120mm	
Length	600mm	
Thickness	14mm (Lamella Nominal 3mm)	
Packaging	24 pieces per box	



RAW (UNCOATED)



FIRST FLOORS







AMERICAN OAK solid flooring



SOLID FLOORING









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MATCHING ACCESSORIES

Hurford's can supply matching accessories; Aluminium Trims, MDF Wrapped Scotia's and Floating Floor Underlay

everWALK - 2mm closed cell underlay with attached moisture protection.

hushWALK - 2mm ultra high density premium underlay with attached moisture protection.







OneTrim is a collection of radiata pine, white pre-primed, kiln dried, finger jointed mouldings. We offer an extensive selection from contemporary to traditional profiles that add distinctive features, dimension, texture and architectural interests to your home, retail or commercial interior.

To view the full collection of OneTrims moulding profiles and size options, please visit www.onetrim.com.au





Strong & Durable



STRUCTA panel H2 12mm Timber Flooring Underlay



Australasian **Timber Flooring** Association[®]

BLUE PATRON MEMBER

Introducing a brand new panel concept to the market - STRUCTApanel H2mm Timber Flooring Underlay. Made with durable materials and 5.5mm High Performance Hardboard Underlay. STRUCTApanel H2 12mm is a 12mm thick high performance panel primarily designed for flooring underlay where it provides a high performance, consistent, flat and durable alternative to other products in the market, with superior nail and staple holding capability.

FEATURES & BENEFITS

- Australian made from sustainable certified plantation forestry
- Highly durable with resin/wax enriched surfaces
- High fixing capacity
- H2 Treated for termite resistance
- Double-sided
- Consistently flat with no internal delamination
- Easy to cut leaving smooth, clean edges
- Excellent adhesion to the sanded surface

APPLICATIONS

Used as an underlay for timber strip flooring on top of the concrete

SHEET SIZES

 Sold as 2400x1200mm (actual size approx. 2420x1215mm)

TECHNICAL DATA

- Typical minimum results when measured by a nata accredited third party testing facility
- Exceeds AS1859.1 High performance particleboard requirement
- Formaldehyde Emission E1

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Criteria	STRUCTApanel H2 12mm	Plywood 12mm
Density - kg/m3	707	458.73
Thickness Swell - %	3.04	4.25
MOR - MPa	25.56	24.44
MOE - MPa	3342	1556
Surface water absorption - g/m2	26.2	534.46
Nail Holding - N	560	502
Surface Hardness – N	4550	3665









Caring for your Engineered Floors

It is important that your floor is appropriately cared for and generally this just means some common sense precautions and using the right products and practices.

Cleaning your floor: Antistatic mops provide an effective means of collecting dust and grit for your daily cleaning. For a deeper clean, use a microfiber spray mop that is compatible and safe for timber floors. Steam mops must not be used. Never use excess amounts of water, oil, soap, wax or other household products to clean your floor, only use neutral pH cleaners. Loba is a company that provides suitable floor care products. Vacuum cleaners can also be used but with a need to ensure that the bristles are not worn to avoid scratches. If a spill or leak occurs, soak up the bulk of the liquid quickly so as to reduce the risk of staining.

Preventing scratches and indentations: To prevent dirt, sand, grit and other substances from being tracked onto your floor, use doormats outside each entrance to your home. As added protection floor mats can be placed inside at external doorways. However, ensure that these are not rubber-backed, latex-backed or coco fibre, which can stain the floor beneath.

Felt protectors are to be used under furniture legs and in particular moveable furniture that more easily cause scratches. In offices, casters (type W) and floor protection mats under chairs can be used to prevent the castors from marking the floor. Support larger furniture with widebearing, furniture floor protectors. Ideally, these protectors should be at least 25mm in diameter, made of nonpigmented hard plastic, and are to rest flat on the floor. High heels and shoes with gravel and grit stuck on them can damage any floor. We suggest using rugs and runners in high traffic areas. Remember to shake out rugs and vacuum regularly. Your furry friends can also scratch your floors, so be sure to have your dog and cat toenails regularly clipped.

If you need to move heavy furniture and/or appliances across the floor, always use strips of wood or hardboard 'runways' to protect the floor. Use the 'runways', even if you have an appliance dolly or with heavy items that have their own wheels or rollers.

Care with substances: Some household substances can be very aggressive and damage the board coating. While damage from some products would seem more obvious, there are others that are much less obvious. Applied flea treatments for pets, drips from wall mounted air fresheners, insect repellents or concentrated insect sprays and ironing sprays, along with others can all damage the coating. Cleaning products must also be neutral pH and free of the likes of eucalyptus oil, which acts as a slow solvent. It is therefore important that correct cleaning products are used and that consideration is given to other products that may contact the floor.

If a substance contacts the floor which may be of concern it is important to attend to it as soon as possible, as with time greater damage often occurs. Dab the substance with an absorbent tissue or paper towel. Do not wipe it up, as this will spread it. Once absorbed wipe over with a wet paper towel containing a diluted mild detergent.



The internal environment: Changes in humidity cause floors to expand and contract. While floors can be expected to perform well in temperatures from 10°C to 32°C, and relative humidity levels between 40% and 70%, prolonged very dry or very humid weather can cause changes in the board's appearance (e.g. a crowned appearance, minor splits in the surface layer, end or edge joints becoming raised). When possible, during those times of more extreme weather conditions, protect your floor by controlling the heating and cooling, to create a comfortable living environment, maintained within the bounds outlined above

Intense sun exposure: Having your curtains and blinds closed during periods when floor areas would be subject to intense sunlight is also prudent to lessen the rate of colour change in the floor and to limit the development of minor surface splits (or checks). Window tinting and sun filter curtains are also good alternatives that help maintain an acceptable internal climate for your floor.

Note that both the timber and coatings change colour with time. We often see fading in fabrics with sun exposure and with timber floors there can be a similar effect. The change in colour is often not noticeable but when floor rugs are lifted there can be distinct colour tone differences. With new floors, the colour change is more rapid and the changes then slow with time. To lessen the effect, floor rugs should not be placed until three months after installation.

Repairs to damaged floors: Depending on the damage, there are options for repair and it is always beneficial to have a spare box of boards available in case there is a need for board replacement. Minor damage such as chips out of a board or larger indentation can often be repaired with a wax stick of a similar colour tone to your floor. Some companies also specialise in surface repairs and use a number of different



wax colours to blend the repair in. If damage is more extensive then boards can be replaced. The possibility of a recoat can also be considered which range from sacrificial polishes to two component water based polyurethane finishes. The preparation needed and process used will differ depending on the coating system and the engineered product, so it is necessary to discuss options with your flooring professional.

Warranties: Hurford's and quality go hand-in-hand. All of our engineered floorings come with a 25 year structural integrity warranty, as well as a 15 year domestic or 5 year commercial surface warranty. Full warranty details for your product can be accessed from Hurford's website. It is also important to remember, timber is a natural product with its own story. Individual boards will vary in colour, tone and features. This variation is what gives timber flooring it's natural beauty and appeal.



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