

Artisan.

REAL OAK FLOORING



 by
PREFERENCE
FLOORS



The timeless elegance and natural character of European Oak makes it an ideal timber to enhance any interior décor. Our Artisan Oak range provides a palette of natural tones along with contemporary visuals. These colours and textures are enhanced by unique surface treatments and pre-finished with a water based, non-toxic European PU coating. Combining a world renowned patented click locking profile Artisan Oak planks are easy to install providing a no fuss, pre-finished, ready to walk on floor.

NATURAL CLASSIC

ARTISAN OAK, A NATURAL CHOICE

Our Artisan range is produced from sustainably managed timber resources and manufactured with non-toxic materials. Engineered construction for stability, strength and durability.

With confidence you can specify Artisan Oak flooring knowing that it will not compromise our valuable forest environment or impact on our general well-being.

The Artisan range is available in two widths,
Classic Width 190 mm and our Extra Wide 240 mm.





OXFORD GREY



NATURAL CLASSIC



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bespoke colours for urban design

Artisan Oak, wide plank visuals, wonderful décors and the convenience of a patented locking system, what more could you ask for?

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Artisan Oak
190 x 14 mm
Click Profile
Classic Width

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Biarritz



Chantilly



Chanterelle



Provence



Naturalle



Cottonwood



Oxford Grey



Woodlands



PROVENCE

Artisan Oak
240 x 14 mm
Click Profile
Extra Wide

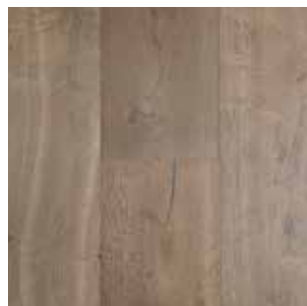
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DETAILS AND THE BEAUTY

- ▀ Genuine Oak, Natural product
- ▀ Engineered construction for stability
- ▀ Easy to install, minimal care & maintenance
- ▀ Suitable for new construction or renovation projects
- ▀ Contemporary colour palette including natural visuals
- ▀ Australian warranty and customer service support
- ▀ Appealing matte low sheen coating



Natural Classic



Montreux

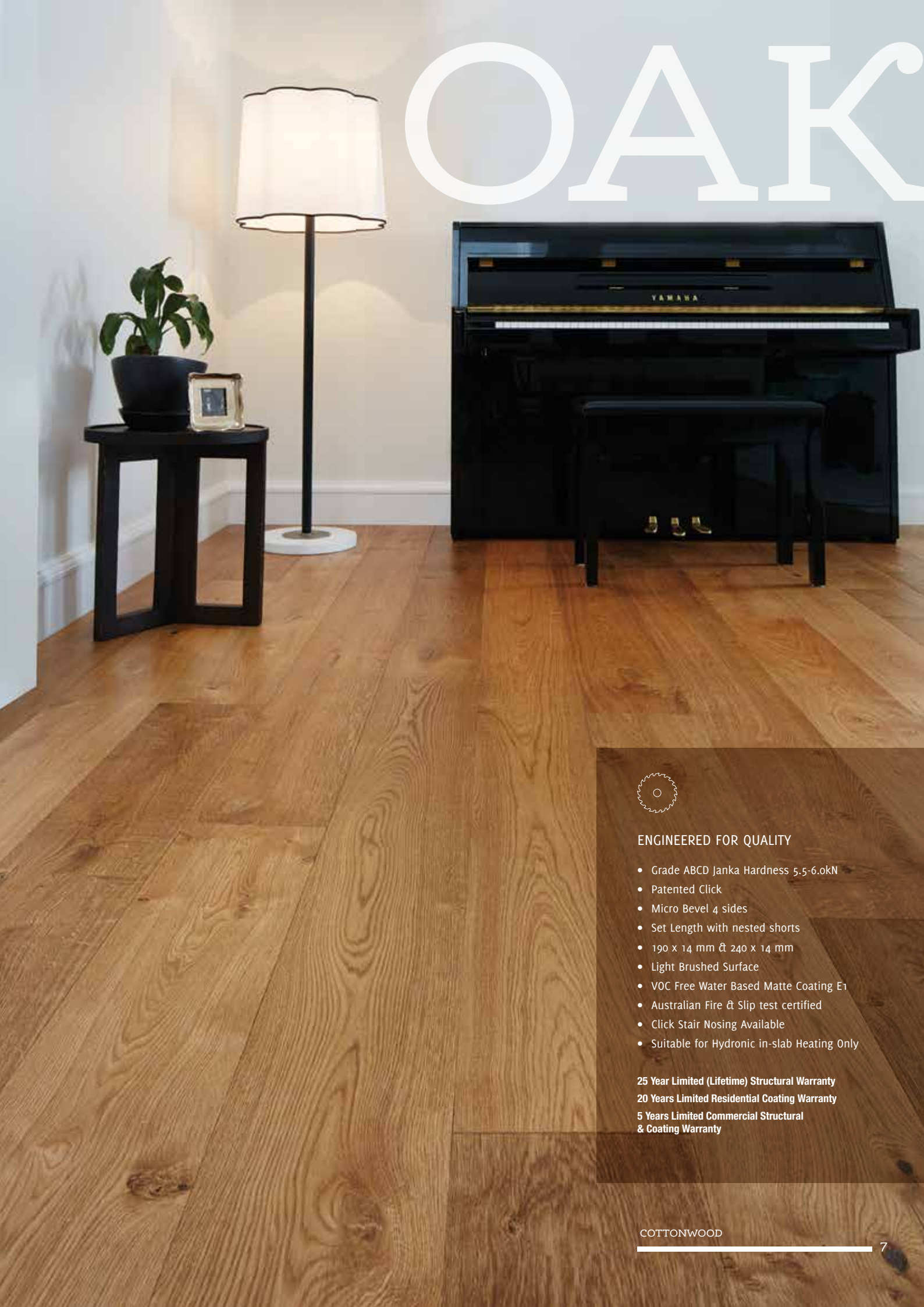


Brittany Grey



Romandie

OAK



ENGINEERED FOR QUALITY

- Grade ABCD Janka Hardness 5.5-6.0kN
- Patented Click
- Micro Bevel 4 sides
- Set Length with nested shorts
- 190 x 14 mm @ 240 x 14 mm
- Light Brushed Surface
- VOC Free Water Based Matte Coating E1
- Australian Fire & Slip test certified
- Click Stair Nosing Available
- Suitable for Hydronic in-slab Heating Only

25 Year Limited (Lifetime) Structural Warranty

20 Years Limited Residential Coating Warranty

**5 Years Limited Commercial Structural
& Coating Warranty**



RIESLING

STAIR NOSING

Both Tongue & Groove & Click Stair nosing is available to support our range of Engineered Oak products.

Stair nosing can be supplied directly from Preference Floors to suit your colour selection or a Reseller may offer these directly from a third party manufacturing to suit local building regulations.

If stairs are involved in your project it is wise to spend time discussing this matter prior to purchase. These images are for illustrative purposes only.



T&G Stair Nosing



Click Stair Nosing

TRIMS & SCOTIA

An extensive range of Scotia colours and Aluminium floor trims are available. These elements form an integral part of all floor installations and especially when floating installations are required.

As per our warranty guidelines, all floating installations will require perimeter expansion and transition trims. It is wise to spend time discussing trim requirements prior to purchase. Some example images below.



Reducer



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Expansion / Transition

UNDERLAYS

For all floating installations a quality acoustic underlay incorporating a moisture barrier film is required to deliver an optimum outcome. The 3 options available from Preference Floors provide varying price points all meeting National Construction Code (NCC) / Building Code of Australia (BCA) standards for Residential & Multi-Residential construction.

For specific Body Corporate or residential applications please consult with your building or design professional for guidance to make sure your requirements are satisfied. Acoustic test data for each product is available on request.

1. Standard White Acoustic 20dB

- Residential Use

2 mm PE Water Resistant Film with overlap for tape. 20 & 50m2 Rolls available, Width 1 Metre.

2. Ultra Green Acoustic 20 dB

- Residential & Multi Res Use

2 mm High Compression XPE Foam & PE Water Resistant Film with overlap for tape. 20 m2 Rolls available, Width 1 Metre.

3. Natural Cork Acoustic 20 dB – Residential & Multi-Res Use

2 mm High Density Cork inc. PE Water Resistant Film with overlap for tape. 10 m2 Rolls available, Width 1 Metre.



RECOMMENDED CLEANING PRODUCTS

Proper maintenance is often the most overlooked aspect of a timber flooring project. Preventative maintenance includes the installation of adequate mats at all entrances and felt protectors on furniture legs to prevent scratching. On-going maintenance includes proper cleaning methods and use of professional cleaning solutions and equipment.

Bona and Loba products are readily available from specialist timber floor and carpet resellers.



A full range of non-toxic timber floor care products are available.

Contact Loba Australasia on 03 9460 3444 for reseller locations near you.

Bona®

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Methods of engineered plank construction lay-up

The manufacturing of engineered flooring is designed to be more resource efficient using up to 2/3 less of our valuable Oak resource when compared to solid timber floors.

Pre-finished Engineered flooring is dimensionally more stable than solid timber flooring enabling quicker installation with less site related trades to complete the flooring installation.

The two popular methods of engineered construction lay-up include, Multi-ply (Prestige & De Marqué Oak) & 3 Layer (Artisan & Pronto). Both manufacturing methods of construction have proven to be highly reliable over many decades of use.

Multi-ply

Provides a core usually manufactured from mixed hardwood with each veneer (approx. 2mm) running in an alternate direction to provide enhanced radial and longitudinal stability. The wear layer of solid oak is then bonded to the top of the multi-ply core.



3 Layer

For the 3-Layer product the method is similar. The construction lay-up comprises only 3 layers of thicker veneer (lamella) with each layer bonded in an alternate direction for stability. The core of these 3 layers will generally feature small individual pieces of timber (lamella) that are bonded together and placed in the alternate direction to both the top and bottom layers. The solid oak is used as the top visual wear layer.

What to look for

Selection Process

Oak is a natural product and due to the many facets involved in the manufacturing process, each batch, whilst reasonably consistent, will display possible grade and colour batch variations. Quality guidelines are established with our manufacturing partners to set boundaries on variations of colour and grade.

Importantly, always check and confirm your selection when your final purchase is being made. The samples are just that, they are a reflection of one piece of nature at a given time.

Store samples will often deepen or lighten depending on the surface colour and exposure to both direct and indirect UV.

Pre-installation

To avoid unwanted surprises please make sure the batch you received at site is consistent with the specification before installation. Ideally make sure someone checks the colour prior to installation. Do not assume your reseller or installer has checked the colour before delivery to site.

It's easy to assess an issue at this stage and fix any obvious errors, in many examples the site installer may have no idea what was originally expected.

Don't take a risk, open a few cartons to satisfy yourself, if in doubt make immediate contact with your point of purchase.

A new floor installed over an existing floor that has squeaks and movement etc. will not fix structural sub-floor problems.

The sub-floor in both new and or existing construction requires careful assessment to make sure the new floor is suitable for installation.

Remedial activities such as levelling, re-fixing joist and bearers, replacing rotten timber are common considerations when tackling new floor projects.

A flat, secure and dry substrate is essential to achieve a quality outcome.

Installation Methods

Installation methods include both Tongue & Groove Direct Fix method and Click assembly for floating installations.

Both methods are excellent however cost & time are the usual issues for consideration. T&G Direct Fix requires a higher budget and will take longer to install. The Direct Fix method of installation will provide an improved acoustic outcome and feel along with minimal expansion requirements.

Patented Click floating installations are very popular because they are a convenient and cost effective method for modern construction. To improve acoustic performance they will require a quality 2 mm Acoustic Underlay with a moisture vapour barrier to improve transmission sound, impact noise and impede moisture ingress.

Most importantly Click floating installations will require perimeter and room to room expansion / transition trims to break the individual room. They are recommended in our installation guides and if left out by the installer will impact on the floor performance and our warranty provisions. Please discuss this matter when talking with your reseller or designer.

Care & Maintenance

For all engineered oak flooring correct maintenance and cleaning is required to keep your floor looking great. Preventative maintenance includes the installation of quality mats at all entrances and felt protectors on furniture legs to prevent scratching. If other trades are still active at the site it's wise to place a protective covering over the floor whilst construction continues. This should avoid site related damage. Do not tape covering directly to surface coating. Do not leave protective covering in-situ for an extended period of time. Humidity will build up under the floor protective covering resulting in damage to the floor coating. Our coating warranty will not cover this type of damage.

On-going maintenance includes proper cleaning methods and use of protective cleaning products to keep the floor looking good. A correctly maintained timber floor should almost never need to be sanded back to bare timber. Avoid using any generic floor cleaning solutions regularly sold as Floor Cleaner. Generic floor cleaning solutions will damage the floor coating. Bona or Loba floor care products are a safe and reliable way to keep your floor in great shape.

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