# **Linoleum Flooring FAQs**

Get all the information you need about linoleum flooring, including features, benefits, and care and maintenance best practices.

#### Is Marmoleum the same as linoleum?

Yes! Many flooring manufacturers create brand names for their linoleum flooring. For example, Forbo uses the term "Marmoleum." Think of it this way: marmoleum is to linoleum like Kleenex® is to tissue, or Post-it<sup>®</sup> is to sticky note.

#### What is the difference between linoleum and vinyl flooring?

Whereas vinyl is created from a synthetic resin called polyvinyl chloride (PVC), linoleum is made from renewable materials. These include linseed oil, natural pigments, cork and wood rosin.

#### What is the average lifetime of a linoleum floor?

Many manufacturers offer warranties up to 25 years, but be sure to check with a member of our team regarding the warranty terms for your specific product. Additionally, with the right maintenance, linoleum can last up to 50 to 100 years. This is a much longer lifespan than vinyl.

# Features & Use

# What are the advantages of linoleum flooring?

Not only is linoleum flooring more affordable than floor coverings such as bamboo, cork, but it also has a marbled look that is versatile and eco-friendly. Other advantages include: low maintenance, water resistant, and durable for high-traffic areas

#### Where can I install linoleum flooring?

Linoleum is both an appealing and smart option for any room in your home! From bathrooms and basements to hallways and kitchens, you'll find a color, pattern, and style to match your needs and design.

#### How much linoleum flooring do I need?

The amount of flooring you need is based on many factors, including the size of the room, your design, and more. When you choose Floor Factors as your flooring installation partner, we have you covered! Our expert team will take exact measurements of your space.

We offer a <u>variety of linoleum flooring options</u> in virtually every color and style you can imagine. Plus, we only work with the industry's most trusted linoleum flooring manufacturers.

### How do I properly clean and maintain my linoleum flooring?

Stay away from acidic, chemical-based products, such as bleach and ammonia. Use mild dishwashing soap or neutral pH linoleum cleaner with a damp mop or cloth to clean your floors. We're happy to provide recommendations.

#### How do I repair a scratch or chip in my linoleum flooring?

If you keep them protected by applying felt pads under furniture and reduce debris being tracked into your home (using mats inside and outside of entryways), you'll mitigate scratches.

If your floors are scratched or have burn marks, buffing them in a circular motion with a nylon brush will generally take care of the problem.

If your linoleum is chipped, there are some great linoleum flooring repair kits available. Ask us and we can advise you of the best option. In fact, Forbo, our linoleum (Marmoleum) manufacturing partner, offers expert tips on their website.

# Is there anything I can do to make my linoleum floor shine more?

Polish can build up over time and dull the look of your linoleum. Removing the buildup and cleaning and re-polishing will bring back the shine. We carry Forbo cleaner and polish and can walk you through <u>cleaning best practices</u>.

# Why is my linoleum floor turning yellow?

The "yellowing" (also called "ambering") of linoleum is a chemical reaction due to the oxidation of the linseed oil in the material.

Lack of sunlight can cause yellowing. Discoloration can be found, for example, under rubber-backed floor rugs that have been in the same place for a long period of time.

Letting some light into the room can help restore the original color, as can some cleaning solutions.

Floor Factors carries cleaning products uniquely suited to your flooring material. Visit our showroom and we'll make sure you get the right products.

# What Services Does Floor Factors Offer?

Floor Factors is a one-stop solution for all your flooring and remodeling material needs. Our <u>services</u> include: In-house design consulting, demolition, free estimate, and installation.

Wondering how much tile you'll need for your project? Our estimates are free. Choose Floor Factors as your flooring and installation partner and our team will visit your home to get exact measurements.



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