



Bamboo Flooring FAQs

Bamboo flooring is a beautiful and sustainable flooring material that can be used in both residential and commercial spaces. Are you in the market for a natural and eco-friendly floor covering product? If so, bamboo could be the right choice for you! Discover all there is to know about bamboo flooring here.

What is bamboo?

- Bamboo is a natural flooring material that's an excellent alternative to hardwood.
- Planks are made of fibers from the bamboo plant (a renewable resource).



What are the different types of bamboo planks?

- **Traditional planks** are made of solid bamboo fibers and are available in both engineered and solid construction.
- **Engineered planks** consist of a plywood base layer that runs perpendicular to a bamboo top layer, adding dimensional stability.
- **Strand woven planks** are similar to traditional bamboo planks, but they are bonded by resin, making them much more dense.

How does bamboo differ from hardwood flooring?

- Both hardwood and bamboo are natural floor covering materials with a similar finished appearance.
- Bamboo flooring is less expensive than hardwood, but it does not last as long.
- It is more water-resistant than hardwood, but the material is still prone to expanding in high humidity and shrinking in low humidity.
- The bamboo plant grows to maturity in just five to seven years, which is much quicker than hardwood trees (about 60 years), making it a highly sustainable and renewable resource.

How long does bamboo flooring last?

- With proper maintenance, bamboo floors can last up to 30 years with a typical lifespan between 10 and 25 years.

Features & Use

What are the benefits of bamboo floors?

- In addition to being a more affordable natural flooring alternative to hardwoods, bamboo floors are:
 - Easy to clean and maintain
 - Eco-friendly, renewable, and sustainable
 - Durable, versatile, and more resistant to scratching than hardwood

Where can I install bamboo flooring?

- Bamboo is available in traditional glue-down planks or glueless floating systems, which can be installed in both homes and businesses.
- The flooring material is suitable for living rooms, bedrooms, dining rooms, family rooms, basements, offices, entryways, conference rooms, retail stores, lobbies, clinics, cafes, hallways, and staircases.
- Bamboo is also considered to be a pet-friendly floor covering product.

Care & Maintenance

What's the best way to clean bamboo flooring?

- To clean your bamboo floors, regular sweeping and vacuuming is recommended. Occasionally, you can polish with a non-wax cleaning solution.

How can I prevent dents and scratches on my bamboo floors?

- Buildup of dirt, debris, and other abrasive particles can lead to scratching and damage bamboo floors over time. To prevent this, sweep or vacuum often, and place floor mats inside and outside all entrances. Area rugs are also recommended.
- Bamboo is a relatively soft material that is prone to denting. To prevent dents, use felt padding on the legs of your furniture.

What Services Does Floor Factors Offer?

In addition to bamboo and hardwood, we also carry cork, laminate, luxury vinyl, linoleum, carpet, and tile flooring as well as countertops, cabinets, and window covering solutions.

The services offered by Floor Factors include:

- In-house design consulting
- Demolition and installation
- Free estimates
- Custom area rugs
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