

These photos show you the variety of looks available with wood floors. The top left portion of each photo shows how each species looks with a water-based finish, while the bottom right portion of each photo shows how each species looks with an oil-based finish.



**ASH - WHITE**  
North America



**BAMBOO**  
Asia



**BEECH**  
North America



**MAHOGANY - SANTOS**  
South America



**MAPLE**  
North America



**MAPLE - BRAZILIAN**  
South America



**TEAK - BURMESE**  
Asia



**WALNUT - AMERICAN BLACK**  
North America



**BIRCH**  
North America



**BUBINGA**  
Africa



**CHERRY - BLACK**  
North America



**MERBAU**  
Southeast Asia



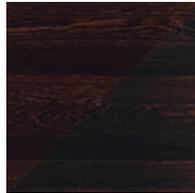
**MESQUITE**  
North America



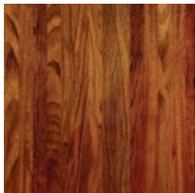
**OAK - RED**  
North America



**WALNUT - BRAZILIAN**  
South America



**WENGE**  
Africa



**CHERRY - BRAZILIAN**  
South America



**CORK**  
Spain, Portugal



**CYPRESS - AUSTRALIAN**  
Australia



**OAK - TASMANIAN**  
Australia



**OAK - WHITE**  
North America



**PADAUK**  
Africa



**DOUGLAS FIR**  
North America



**GUM - SPOTTED**  
Australia



**GUM - SYDNEY BLUE**  
Australia



**PINE - ANTIQUE HEART**  
North America



**PINE - SOUTHERN YELLOW**  
North America



**PURPLEHEART**  
Mexico, Central America, South America

To explore the many possibilities available with wood floors today, visit the Design a Room section of the National Wood Flooring Association's consumer web site at [www.woodfloors.org](http://www.woodfloors.org). Using this interactive feature, you can select from a variety of wood species to see how each changes the mood and look of a room, and pick the species that best fit your style.

## Wood Species

No matter what your lifestyle, there's a wood flooring option to meet your home's décor and your budget. Today, wood floors come in a variety of colors, styles and price ranges. Choosing the right floor for you is simply a matter of deciding which look you like best.

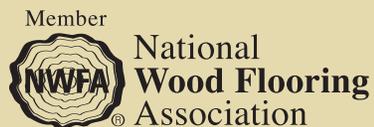
Is a sleek, contemporary décor your style? Think about light colored woods such as ash and maple.

Do you like things more warm and casual looking? Medium colored woods like hickory and oak may be just the thing you're looking for.

Going for a more-formal atmosphere? Consider stately dark colored woods like mahogany and walnut.

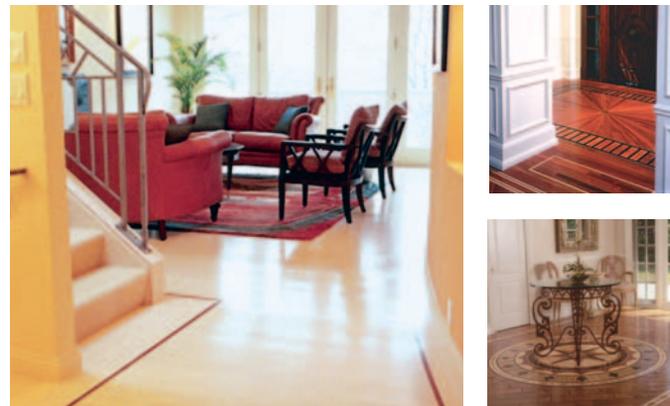
For something totally unique, look at exotic species, which can run the gamut of colors. Bubinga can appear pink, red, or reddish brown with purple streaks or veins. Australian Cypress ranges from cream-colored sapwood to honey-gold heartwood, with dark brown knots holes throughout. Santos Mahogany is a dark reddish brown. Purpleheart has a brown heartwood that will age to a deep purple or purplish brown. Burmese Teak varies from a yellowish brown to a dark golden brown. For a totally unique look, Wenge will age to a very deep brown, almost black, color.

With more than 50 wood species available on the market today, you're sure to find one that's right for you.



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## Real Wood Floors



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