

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.



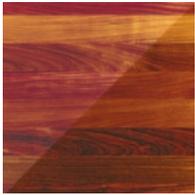
ASH - WHITE
North America



BAMBOO
Asia



BEECH
North America



MAHOGANY - SANTOS
South America



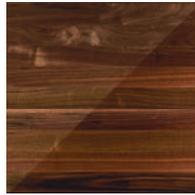
MAPLE
North America



MAPLE - BRAZILIAN
South America



TEAK - BURMESE
Asia



WALNUT - AMERICAN BLACK
North America



BIRCH
North America



BUBINGA
Africa



CHERRY - BLACK
North America



MERBAU
Southeast Asia



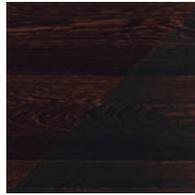
MESQUITE
North America



OAK - RED
North America



WALNUT - BRAZILIAN
South America



WENGE
Africa



CHERRY - BRAZILIAN
South America



CORK
Spain, Portugal



CYPRESS - AUSTRALIAN
Australia



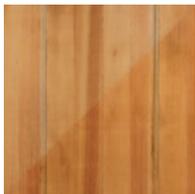
OAK - TASMANIAN
Australia



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. 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.

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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.

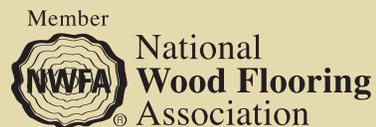
Is a sleek, contemporary décor your style? Think about light colored woods such as ash and maple.

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.

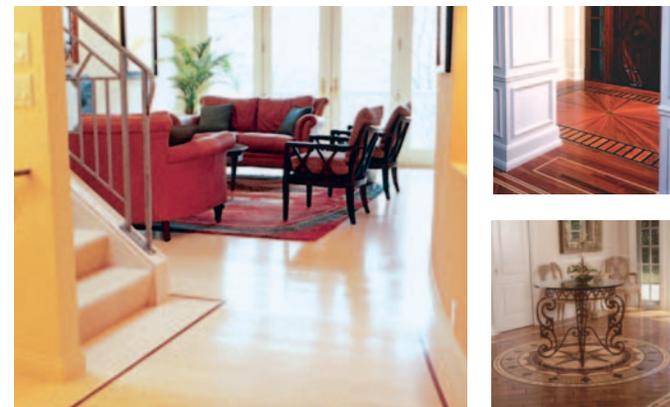
For something totally unique, look at exotic species, which can run the gamut of colors. Bubinga can appear pink, red, or reddish brown with purple streaks or veins. Australian Cypress ranges from cream-colored sapwood to honey-gold heartwood, with dark brown knots holes throughout. Santos Mahogany is 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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