

A modern bathroom interior featuring a shower area with a rainfall showerhead and a vanity with a white rectangular sink and a large round mirror. The floor is made of dark wood.

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The maintenance of an oiled floor and a pre-varnished floor is different. Products for pre-varnished floors act as a grease remover. It would be harmful to use those products on an oiled floor because these would remove the coat of oil which must stay there to protect the wood. Therefore, it is essential to use a premium product to preserve its beauty and its durability.

Weekly cleaning

You need:

- Wickham oiled wood SOAP
(see note to prepare the solution)
- Mop

Procedures:

1. Vacuum to remove the dirt and the dust.
2. Clean the floor with the mixture. Be careful not to wet the surface too much.
3. Let the wood dry without rinsing.

Note : The Wickham oiled wood SOAP product is a concentrated formula which must be diluted: 80 parts of water for 1 part of concentrate. Shake well the concentrate before to prepare the solution. Take an empty spray bottle and fill it in with the right ratio of concentrate, then complete with warm water. Example: 4 liters (1gallon) of water for 50 ml.=1.5 oz or 1/4cup of wood soap concentrated formula. Shake well to mix the solution. You will have enough solution to fill in a spray bottle and other refill bottles for several cleanings.

Bi-annual or annual refreshing

You need:

- Wickham oiled floor
REFRESHER (946 ml / 32 oz)
- Mop

Procedures:

1. Vacuum to remove the dirt and the dust.
2. Shake well the **Wickham oiled floor REFRESHER**
3. Spray **Wickham oiled floor REFRESHER** on a floor section and spread evenly within the wood grain using a damp sponge mop or micro-fiber clothe.
4. Let the wood dry without rinsing. Wait a few minutes before circulating on the floor.

Minor repairs

Localized Scratches and Scuff Marks.

You need:

- Clear oil - base and finish (only this one if your floor is natural)
- Colored oil (both oils, colored and clear, are necessary to repair a colored floor.)
- Gloves and rags

Natural oiled floor

1. Vacuum and clean the areas of the floor to be repaired with methyl alcohol. (Isopropyl alcohol 70% USP "rubbing alcohol" can be used for small areas. The floor must be clean and dry.
2. Apply the **Clear Oil** on the scratch.
3. Let penetrate two minutes, then wipe to polish and avoid any wet aspect.
4. Repeat the operation a second time.
5. Wait 4 hours before circulating.
6. If a gloss difference is noted, wait 24 hours then gently polish the area with a "Scotch Brite" green pad.

Colored oiled floor

1. Vacuum and clean the areas of the floor to be repaired with methyl alcohol. (Isopropyl alcohol 70% USP "rubbing alcohol" can be used for small areas.) The floor must be clean and dry.
2. Apply the **Clear Oil** on the scratch.
3. Let penetrate two minutes, then wipe slightly.
4. Apply the **Colored Oil** on the scratch.
5. Let penetrate two minutes then wipe to polish and avoid any wet aspect.
6. Repeat the operation if needed.
7. Wait for one hour.
8. Apply the **Clear Oil** as a finish top coat to seal the scratch. Polish the area.
9. Wait at least 4 hours before circulating.
10. If a gloss difference is noted, wait 24 hours then gently polish the area with a "Scotch Brite" green pad.

Note: Do not invert the order of application of both oils. The colored oil applied first would highlight the scratch.

Major repairs

To revamp the Whole Floor or One Plank Only

You need:

- Clear oil - base and finish (only this one if your floor is natural)
- Colored oil - both oils (colored and clear are necessary)
- Polishing machine
- Green and red buffer pads
- White buffer pads
- Gloves & rags

Steps:

1. Vacuum and clean the areas of the floor to be repaired with methyl alcohol. The floor must be clean and dry.
2. Scrub the whole floor with the the floor polisher using the green or red pad (depending on the condition of the floor).
3. Vacuum again residues and dust.
4. **Natural oiled floor:** only use clear oil. **Colored oiled floor:** mix well 2 parts of colored oil for 1 part of **Clear Oil**.
5. Pour a 4" diameter oil circle on the floor.
6. Use the polishing machine using the white pad to spread and polish the whole floor.
7. Buff and add oil according to the surface to be covered. Polish enough the floor to allow the oil to penetrate into the wood. Polish the wood up to appearance of saturation. The floor needs to be uniform. No oil excess should appear on the surface after polishing. When hand-made, it is better to proceed by sections. Polishing is an important action to heat up the oil. It helps the oil to penetrate well and speeds up drying time.
8. If the color obtained is not satisfactory: Wait 4 hours and repeat the operation again for a second coat of the **Colored Oil 2 for 1 mixture**.
9. Wait 24 hours. Apply two final coats of **Clear Oil** only. The purpose of those last coats is to seal the color of your floor. Wait 4 hours minimum between each coat. Polish well.
10. The oil is going to harden within the fiber of the wood. Stay off the floor and let it dry overnight. The next day, you can walk and start living on the floor.
11. Do not proceed with any cleaning (except vacuum) before 10 days.

Isolated repair

Repair One Board

Steps:

1. Isolate the board to repair, covering all planks around with cardboard and covering tape.
2. Sand down the wood with a 80, than a 100 and finish with a 120 sand paper.
3. Vacuum residues and dust.
4. Clean the plank with methyl alcohol to remove any dust residue.
5. **Natural floors:** Take **Clear Oil** only. Two coat of oil will be required spaced 24 hours apart.
Colored floor: Make a 2 for 1 mixture (2 parts of **Colored Oil** for 1 part of **Clear Oil**).
6. Pour a small portion of clear oil or colored oil mixture onto the board.
7. Polish enough the floor to allow the oil to penetrate into the wood. Polish the wood to appearance of saturation. The floor needs to be uniform. No oil excess should appear on the surface after polishing. Polishing is an important action to heat up the oil. It helps the oil to penetrate well and speeds up drying time.
8. If the color obtained is not satisfactory: Wait 4 hours and repeat the operation again for a second coat of the **Colored Oil 2 for 1 mixture**. Polish well.
9. Wait 24 hours .
10. Apply two final coats of **Clear Oil** only. The purpose of those last coats is to seal the color of your floor. Wait 4 hours minimum between each coat. Polish well. Even if your floor is natural, you should always apply a second coat of clear oil.
11. The oil is going to harden within the fiber of the wood. Stay off the floor and let it dry overnight. The next day, you can walk on it.
12. Do not proceed with any cleaning (except vacuum) before 10 days.

Raw wood to be oiled

Staircase, Railing, Floor

Steps:

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2. Vacuum residues and dust.
3. Clean the plank with methyl alcohol to remove any dust residue.
4. **Natural floors:** take **Clear Oil** only. Two coat of oil will be required spaced 24 hours apart.
5. **Colored floor:** make a 2 for 1 mixture (2 parts of **Colored Oil** for 1 part of **Clear Oil**).
6. Depending of your floor, pour a small portion of **Clear Oil** or **Colored Oil 2 for 1 mixture** onto the board.
7. Polish enough the floor to allow the oil to penetrate into the wood. Polish the wood to appearance of saturation. The floor needs to be uniform. No oil excess should appear on the surface after polishing. Polishing is an important action to heat up the oil. It helps the oil to penetrate well and speeds up drying time.
8. If the color obtained is not satisfactory: Wait 4 hours and repeat the operation again for a second coat of the **Colored Oil 2 for 1 mixture**. Polish well.
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