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How to keep your wood floor looking beautiful



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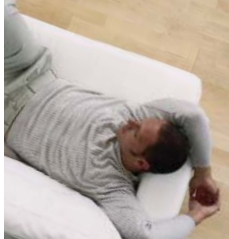


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> Your wood floor deserves the best possible maintenance...

You have selected a Blanchon product to protect your wood floor and we would like to thank you for choosing us.

You now have the benefits of a hard-wearing floor with all the natural beauty of wood and an easier maintenance.

For almost 60 years now, Blanchon has been designing and manufacturing wood protection and decoration products: not only lacquers but also waxes, oils, varnishes, patinas and exterior wood stains... And for almost 60 years, Blanchon's laboratories have been carrying out major research alongside specialists in the wood flooring industry to develop high-performance maintenance products which respect the nature of wood.

For a simple way of keeping your wood floor looking beautiful, we would like to give you some advice and information on maintenance products specially designed to the floor you have chosen.

Whether it is lacquered, waxed or oiled, Blanchon offers an effective maintenance solution for every type of wood floor (or even laminated floors): a guarantee for beautiful, hard-wearing wood.



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> Few precautions...



- It is important to allow the lacquer (or a penetrating product like oil or wax) to harden right through during 10 days following the application.



- To achieve this, we advise you not to wet the floor but to simply sweep or vacuum it.



- In addition, you should put felt or leather guards under chair legs and pieces of furniture.
- Wait 8 to 10 days before putting any rugs back down.



- To prevent from scratches, place a doormat at the entrance to retain dust and grit.



- Use a vacuum cleaner for routine cleaning.
- Never wash your wooden floor using a large amount of water.
- Do not use strong detergents or products containing ammonia, abrasives or silicone.



- Remove stubborn stains with a damp sponge and a neutral detergent.

DAY-TO-DAY CLEANING

> The easiest way to clean any wood floor* in a jiffy.

Are you looking for a fast way to remove the marks left by day-to-day wear without placing the room off limits for any length of time? Now it's simple, thanks to **Lagoon®**, the new cleaning solution developed by Blanchon.

Just spray a few squirts of the solution directly onto the floor and wipe with the special micro-fibre brush. No rinsing is required, and your wood floor is left clean once again, with no marks. **Lagoon®** is an odour-free, non-slip solution, which can be used on lacquered or oiled wood floors (whether traditionally finished or pre-finished in the factory), and also on laminated and vinyl floors.



**with the exception
of waxed wooden flooring*



> How to keep your wood floor looking like new?

Your wood floor has a matt, natural-wax, rough-wood or invisible-effect finish ? Use **Métamat®**. If you have chosen a gloss or silk-matt floor, use **Protector** instead.

Both products will give your floor a genuine protective coat and they will keep your wood floor looking as good as new. They are also recommended for use in high-traffic areas such as entrances, lounges etc. They should be used neat (1L for one coat on 40m²) and applied with a micro-fibre mop, a sponge mop or a clean cotton cloth: apply one or two coats onto a lacquered wood floor which has been damp mopped. They are silicone-free and slip resistant.



> How to remove stubborn dirt and stains?

Heavy Duty Cleaner can clean the most stubborn stains. It is applied using a damp sponge or cloth which has been well wrung out. It can also be used to clean varnished surfaces before applying a protective coat of **Protector** or **Métamat®** (0.5L diluted in 10 litres of water followed by rinsing with a floorcloth or a damp sponge). It also removes any build-up of **Protector** or **Métamat®** which may occur after several years of maintenance for instance (1 or 2 litres diluted in 10 litres of water).



> Easy maintenance and protection

For routine maintenance on your lacquered wood floor, Blanchon offer two easy-to-use products which respect for the nature of wood.

Varnished Wood Floor Daily Cleaner

Easy to use and economical, this mild soap is perfect for regular cleaning and revives the effect of **Protector** or **Métamat®**. **Daily Cleaner** is used diluted (2 glasses to 10 litres of water) and applied with a damp sponge-mop or cloth. No need to rinse.



Varnished Wood Floor Maintenance

Ideal for routine maintenance on lacquered wood floors as well as laminated, melamine or plastic floors: it cleans and keeps them looking as good as new. **Maintenance** is silicone free and slip resistant. It is particularly suitable for maintaining matt, natural-wax, rough-wood and invisible-effect finishes.





> How to get the shine back into your wood floor?

To get the warmth back into your waxed floor, we advise you to polish it regularly with a lambswool cloth (or a buffing machine fitted with a white or beige pad). However, **Professional Floor Polish** should occasionally be applied before the protective coat has worn away. It is a high-quality polish thanks to its high content of top-grade waxes, It will revitalize waxed wood floors and makes them as bright as new and besides, it is easy to apply: spread a little polish evenly over the floor and polish when dry.



> Routine Maintenance

To keep the shine on your wood floor, all you need to do is polish. Do not wait for it to show signs of wear and tear: treat regularly with **Liquid Wax**. This will reinforce the protection and the shine of your wood floor. It is available in 2 shades, colourless and natural, it enables fast maintenance and has a pleasant fragrance.



> How to clean your oiled wood floor?



Natural Soap for Oiled Wood Floors is a 100% plant based product enriched with natural oils, which makes it ideal for frequent cleaning of all oiled wood floors. It preserves and enhances their natural-looking finish. It should be diluted (about 1 glass to 5 litres of water) and applied with a damp floorcloth, micro-fibre mop or sponge mop: mops or cloths should be well wrung out to avoid getting the wood floor too wet. Rinse the mop or cloth regularly during cleaning.



> How to maintain and refinish your oiled wood floor?



After careful cleaning as described above and light sanding of local marks if necessary (with very fine grade sand paper), apply a thin coat of the maintenance oil recommended by your specialist: **Wood Floor Oil - Special Maintenance or Hard Waxoil Maintenance**.

Wipe as you go along so as not to leave any residue. Buff if necessary (check the instructions on the product label). Allow to dry before reusing the area.

Maintenance frequency will depend on the amount of traffic on the floor: a well maintained oiled wood floor looks better and better as time goes by.

For refinishing with all traditional wood floor oils or for specific maintenance (on high-traffic oiled wood floors), Blanchon can guide you. For general maintenance and refinishing of all types of oiled wood floors (especially those subject to heavy traffic), please ask your specialist for the Blanchon specific guides to maintain oiled wood floors.





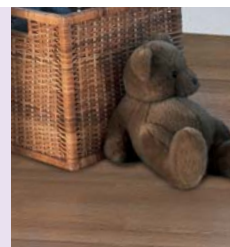
> Oiled wood floors and the environment

Your specialist has recommended **Wood Floor Oil Environment** which combines high performance and environmental friendliness. It highlights the natural beauty of your wood floor.

Cleaning, maintenance and refinishing recommendations for **Wood Floor Oil Environment** are the same as for traditional oils: damp mopping with **Natural Soap for Oiled Wood Floors** (about 1 glass diluted in 5 litres of water) and maintenance with **Wood Floor Oil Environment - Special Maintenance** whenever the beautiful finish starts to wear off your wood floor. One thin coat is enough (using a sponge mop or a micro-fibre mop) and there is no need to buff. After only 30 minutes, the floor is dry and ready to use.

These processes and how to refinish are further described in the **Blanchon Wood Floor Oil Environment** maintenance guide, available from your specialist.

And for your well-being and everybody else's, **Blanchon Oil Environment** products are odourless!



> How to keep your laminated floor spotlessly clean?

Laminated Floor Cleaner is ideal for all laminated or melamine floors. It degreases, cleans and leaves the surface spotless. Recommended for regular use, it keeps the floor looking like new and prevents from building-up of dirt and grime. It should be applied with a floorcloth, a sponge mop or a micro-fibre mop and diluted as follows:

- routine cleaning:
5 cl to 10 litres of water,
- major cleaning:
10 cl to 10 litres of water,
- removing stubborn stains:
10 cl to 1 litre of water.

