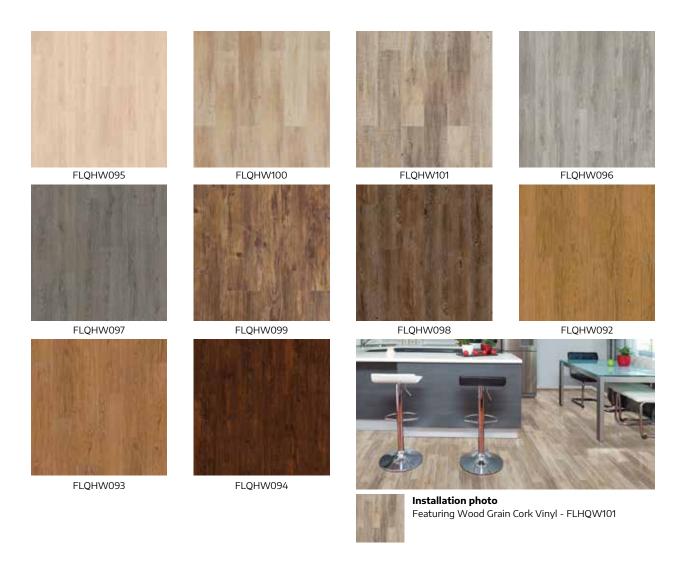
Wood Grain Cork Vinyl



Timeless appeal and industrial beauty are combined in the **Wood Grain Cork Vinyl** collection. A uniquely engineered multi-layer structuring incorporates a cork core on a luxury vinyl floating floor, utilizing state of the art technology to deliver the warmth, look and feel of a natural hardwood. With the ease of maintenance and durability inherent in a resilient product, additional benefits include sound absorption and moisture resistance. All in a matte finish with a neutral tonal embossed palette for stand out sustainable style.



View collection web page for the complete offering including additional product options, corresponding Spec ID# and updates.

SPECIFICATIONS

SIZE: 48 ½" x 5 11/16" **THICKNESS:** ½" nominal

FINISH: Matte; Advanced polyurethane, containing ceramic particles

INSTALLATION: Floating or Glue-Down

CONSTRUCTION: Luxury vinyl top layer with natural cork core

- Class B Fire Rated
- GREENGUARD Certified
- 15-year limited warranty
- Can contribute to LEED®
- In Stock products are subject to availability
- $\bullet\,$ Please note that variations in color and texture may occur due to the nature of the material



INSTALLATION METHOD

TOOLS AND MATERIALS REQUIRED:

Tape measure • craft knife • pencil • straight edge • chalk line • white rubber hammer or hand roller

GENERAL INFORMATION

• Please read these instructions thoroughly in conjunction with relevant country standards before installation.

TRANSPORT, STORAGE, ACCLIMATION: NOTE: Transport and store cartons in laying position

- Store planks at room temperature for at least 48h in their packaging, prior installation
- Remove plastic wrapping from packaging only when ready to install
- Room temperature must be at least 18°C (65°F) before & during installation.

SUBFLOOR REQUIREMENTS:

- This product can be installed in almost all domestic areas and in most commercial areas, except in saunas and persistently wet areas.
- In areas with full sun exposure, full-spread installation is required.
- It is possible to use in other areas like bathrooms, or areas where spillages frequently occur since it will not swell when exposed to water. However, in order to prevent the water to penetrate under the laid floor (which can create conditions for growing of fungus, mold or smell), a polyurethane sealant must be applied on expansion joints
- It can be laid on top of most hard surfaces (e.g. concrete, ceramics, wood)
- Soft subfloors (e.g. carpets) must be removed
- Old resilient floor coverings (such as pvc, linoleum, etc.) must be glued without loose areas
- Wood subfloors or particle board subfloors must be mechanically fixed, e.g. screws, all tongue and groove joints shall be glued with a suitable adhesive and the joints firmly closed
- The subfloor must be even, flat, dry and variations should not exceed 3/16"in 8 feet radius.
- All type of hard subfloors must be dry (concrete screeds < 2.0 %; anhydrite screeds < 0.5 % CM instrument).

RADIANT-HEATED SUBFLOORS:

- Subfloor surface temperature must not exceed 28°C (82°F)
- For detailed information, follow instructions of the subfloor heating system manufacturer/contractor or contact your supplier

PREVENTIVE CARE:

- If works will take place in the room where the floor is installed, protect with craft paper, plywood or hardboard
- Do not drag furniture across the floor
- Use felt pads on chair and furniture legs Office roller chairs must comply with EN 12529 (type W)
- Use protective office mats under the rolling chairs
- Place quality walk-off mats at all entrances to retain tracked in dirt, grit and moisture
- Never use latex or rubber backed mats as they can permanently stain the floor
- Ideal and healthy room conditions are 35-55% R.H. at 20°C (68°F)
- If necessary, use a room humidifier
- These floors are intended for indoor use only
- Flooring products are based on natural materials and will expand and contract through heating and non-heating seasons, thus experiencing some separation between the planks/tiles at different times during the year. Such separations are not considered a product defect.



INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Please, read the General Information Section before installation.

INSPECTION:

- Prior to installation, inspect planks in daylight for visible faults/damage
- Check if subfloor/site conditions comply with the specifications described in these instructions
- If you are not satisfied do not install, and contact your supplier

BEFORE LAYING:

- Measure the room at right angle to the direction of the planks
- Planks in the final row should be at least 5 cm/2" wide
- For this purpose, planks in the first row can be cut to smaller size
- Shuffle planks to obtain a pleasant blend of shades
- Lay planks preferably following the direction of the main source of light
- We recommend full-spread with permanent adhesive in rooms exposed to the sun. See below for adhesive information.
- We recommend laying on wooden floor's crossways to the existing floorboard
- Planks must not be nailed or screwed to the subfloor
- Skirting boards must not be fixed in a way which restricts the movement of the floor.

EXPANSION GAPS:

Provide 10 mm/3/8" expansion gaps to the walls and other fixed objects

- Areas greater than 100 m₂ (900 sq. ft) or 10 m (30 feet) in either direction, transitions between rooms and asymmetrical areas require extra expansion gaps.
- 1. Start laying in the right-hand corner, turn the tongue side of the plank to the wall maintaining a gap of 10 mm/3/8".
- 2. Hold the next plank tight to the short end of the first one matching the corner and then press it down with the help of a hand roller, or slightly tap with a white rubber hammer. Make sure that the long sides of the planks make a straight line Complete first row in the same way. Cut final plank of the first

row to the correct length.

- 3. Start next row with the piece leftover (must be at least 300 mm/12" long) Ensure that end joints are staggered at least 300 mm/12". Place first plank of the new row with the tongue side matching the groove side of the plank in the previous row. Press it down with the help of a hand roller, or slightly tap with a rubber hammer.
- 4. Place the second plank ensuring that no joint is noticed between short sides by certifying that the plank is positioned on the integral locking of the plank in the previous row. At the same time, match the tongue side on the long side of the plank to the groove of the previous row. Press it down with the help of a hand roller, or slightly tap with a white rubber hammer.
- 5. Adjust the distance giving a 10mm (3/8") gap to the wall when three rows are completed and proceed with the installation as described above until reaching the opposite wall.
- 6. Cut the last plank to the correct width allow for 10mm/3/8" distance to the wall for the expansion gap.

FULL SPREAD GLUE DOWN INFORMATION

- Roberts R6300 Pressure Sensitive Adhesive is the recommended adhesive for this application. When installing on a porous substrate, place flooring in a semi-wet state. After 20 minutes open time start installing LVC. This is for a permanent installation. For a releasable install, allow the adhesive to tack up completely and then install LVC.
- Follow adhesive manufacturer instructions for spreading glue.



FLOOR PROTECTION TIPS:

- Maintain a constant, climate-controlled environment (35%-55% Relative Humidity, and between 60 and 80 F). Your HVAC system should always remain active, and the use of humidifier/ dehumidifier to maintain humidity levels if necessary is recommended to minimize seasonal expansion and contraction.
- Place felt-type protectors on the bottom of all chair legs, furniture and fixture legs to help minimize scratching. For heavier objects, use protective cup/pads. Generally, the heavier the object, the wider the floor protector is needed.
- Shoes with high heels, sports cleats, etc. will likely dent, gouge, or scratch cork floors which is not covered by our warranty. Regularly check the bottom of all shoes for debris and sharp objects that could damage floor surfaces.
- Use throw rugs inside and outside of entries and on high-traffic areas to prevent dirt and grit from being tracked in and scratching your floor's finish. Interior rugs and slip resistant underlayment's must be made of a breathable, non-marking, material to avoid trapping moisture that can discolor/damage your floor. Avoid rubber or latex backed mats (except where noted) as they can stain your floor.
- Keep pet's nails trimmed and clean of dirt and debris to minimize surface scratches.
- Avoid sliding or rolling heavy furniture, appliances, or other heavy objects directly across your cork floor. Whenever possible, lift the item to be moved. If it must be rolled or "walked" across the floor, avoid narrow wheeled and metal and/or hard surface rollers and protect the floor with plywood or other hard sheeting to prevent damage.

SPECIAL NOTE: FOR OUR LUXURY VINYL CORK FLOORS, WE RECOMMEND FULL SPREAD PERMANENT ADHESIVE DIRECT-TO-SUBFLOOR INSTALLATION IN ROOMS WITH HEAVY DIRECT SUNLIGHT.

Use protective window coverings, sun-screens, etc. to block fade-causing UV rays and the excessive heat from direct sunlight and rearrange rugs and furniture periodically to help your floors age more cause the floor to fade or change color. Our warranty does not cover damage from the sun, UV rays,

or artificial light.

- Check children's riding toys wheels for sharp points and debris to prevent scratches.
- We do not recommend the use of rolling casters on these floors. If you decide to use them, office rolling chairs must use soft tread, non-marking casters (as prescribed by EN12529 Type W). Double wheeled casters provide the best protection. Use smooth back protective office mats under the rolling chairs.

MAINTENANCE

CLEANING:

- Your new Luxury Vinyl Cork floor contains a 21-mil protective wear layer and does not require any additional sealer or protective finish.
- Regularly vacuum or sweep with a soft broom or micro-fiber mop to collect dust, dirt, debris that can dull the finish or scratch the floor. **DO NOT USE A VACUUM WITH A BEATER BAR HEAD**, should be a soft brush, felt type, or hardwood floor type attachment and be sure the vacuum's wheels are clean and do not damage the floor's surface.
- Periodically use an approved no-wax floor cleaner to clean the floor. Vacuum first, apply cleaner directly to a clean cloth or micro-fiber mop as instructed, then go over the floor thoroughly to clean.
- Abrasive scrubbing machinery and/or power scrubbers & buffers of any type are not recommended to clean the floor in residential installations. Steam cleaning, as it involves heat and moisture, also is not recommended. **SPECIAL NOTE**: In commercial installations, floor scrubbers may be used for regular floor maintenance providing equipment is well maintained, in proper working condition, and operator is fully trained in the operation and care of the equipment.
- LVC planks will not expand when exposed to water thus occasional damp mopping is acceptable, however, it is a still a good idea to remove spills as promptly as possible with a soft, absorbent cloth and recommended cleaning products.



• Don't use liquid or paste wax, oil soaps, or any other strong cleaners that contain silicon, citrus oils, lemon oil, tung oil, acrylics, acidic materials (such as vinegar) or ammonia. Detergents, bleach, and abrasive cleaners are not recommended. Avoid "home remedies" found on the internet and other sources. These products and techniques can cause your floor to become slippery, or cloud and dull the finish. Use of these and similar products can harm the performance of your floor and it recoat ability. Also avoid "gloss restorers" or "mop & shine" products as they can contain acrylics or urethane which if not applied properly may not adhere adequately or may "build up" on the floor and thus void the original finish warranty.

WARRANTY

WARRANTY:

- 5 Year Finish warranty
- 5 Year Structural warranty

WARRANTY EXCLUSIONS:

- Architectural Systems cannot warrant a color match of our products to other wood/cork products including but not limited to stairs, stair railings, cabinets, trim, molding, etc.
- In order to maintain the recommended relative humidity (35%-55%) inside the area of application, installation of a humidifier or dehumidifier may be necessary. Cork floors are designed to perform in an environmentally controlled structure.
- The warranty does not cover damage arising from accidents, abuse, abnormal wear, spike heels, grit, scratches, or dents.
- The warranty does not cover finish wear created by excessive furniture movement i.e., chairs, display fixtures etc.
- Gloss reduction is not considered wear-through. Therefore, it is not covered under the finish warranty.
- The warranty does not cover color changes to any products, which result from the sun, UV rays or artificial light.
- Excessive ground moisture caused by natural weather conditions including (but not limited to): excessive rainfall, hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding or other natural disasters are not covered by the terms of this warranty.
- Natural characteristics such as color variation is normal and not considered a defect. Nature leaves no two pieces of cork the same and color or other variations can occur. We cannot warrant against natural variations, or the normal minor differences between color samples and the color of installed floors.
- Only Architectural Systems approved cleaning and maintenance products are appropriate for use on our products. Use of non-Architectural Systems approved cleaners and maintenance products or any oil soap or ammonia-based cleaners will void all warranties.
- Architectural Systems warranty excludes and will not pay consequential or incidental damages associated with any warranty claim. Repair, refinish, or replacement of flooring material are the sole remedies.
- The warranty does not cover insect infestation after the product has left our factory or scratches or stains caused by domestic pets.
- All warranties are limited to the original purchaser and apply only to products listed in this brochure.
- Damage due to water saturation (including but not limited to) a leaky faucet, broken pipe or wet mopping is excluded.
- The use of putties during and after installation of cork flooring is considered normal and is not cause for a claim against this warranty.



TECHNICAL DATA

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