

Care and Maintenance - Dec 2022

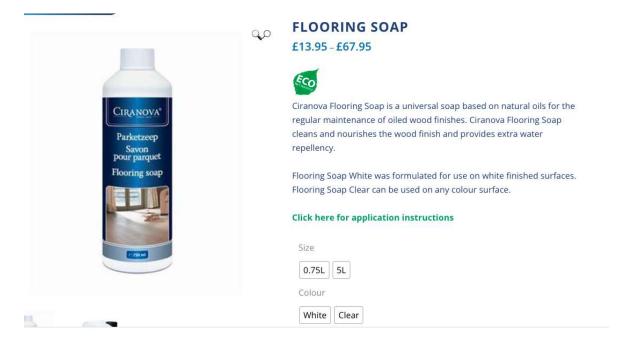
Hardened oil (UV Oiled) and Oil Wood Traffic finishes.

Cleaning

It is important to keep the floor regularly swept or vacuumed to remove dust and debris from the floor, as this can be abrasive on the finish and will dramatically reduce the life of your floor.

The floors should be cleaned regularly (say every two weeks). This should be with a natural wood flooring soap, so no detergent, and should be applied with a little water, and then lightly mopped (don't use too much water). It's possible to buy wood flooring soaps in supermarkets, but our recommended product is from Ciranova (*Ciranova Flooring Soap*). This is from the same company who provide our oils. Regularly cleaning is one of the most important things to do to keep your floor looking healthy.

Whilst the oiled finish itself is stain resistant, drinks, food, kids toys etc. will stain or mark the floor, if not cleaned up quickly after being spilled. Our floors should resist most liquids for a few hours but if you leave oil or wine on a floor for a weekend, it will mark (this is the case for any wood floor!).



Maintenance Oil

One of the benefits of an oiled floor is that it can be refreshed with the use of oils. If you want to keep your floor the existing colour, you can rub in a maintenance oil, every 18 months to 24 months. Again, our recommended oil is from Ciranova (*Ciranova Maintenance Oil Clear Matt*) and for almost all of our floors, the matt version applies, but always test it out before you start rubbing too much in. We use Ciranova oils on our sample boards, as it keeps them looking fresh. It's also great for light scratches; but deeper scratches may require a different strategy, such as the use of filler or if very deep, the plank will need to be sanded.

Regular maintenance will prolong the life of the finish on your floor



