# YES! Colour PREMIUM OAK COLLECTION





## Lifespan Extension Technology

#### UNDERSTANDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS OF ENGINEERED WOOD FLOORS

Sustainability is not a word that can be used when talking about the global supply chain and the harvesting of trees in our region. There are serious and concerning areas of deforestation due to logging for wood required for flooring and other construction materials in the Asia Pacific region, for example, areas of Indonesia, PNG and Malaysia.

Engineered wood floors are a mass produced, consumable item, manufactured using finite resources and are designed to last 25 years.

#### CONSIDERING THE ENVIRONMENT

We have considered the environmental implications when we provide you a floor of finite lifespan and how we can treat it to reduce the impact on the environment.

Let's look at the case study of the Heritage Parquetry floor located in the Art Gallery of NSW.

The Art Gallery of NSW heritage section has a beautiful parquetry floor that is over 100 years old, having been installed in or around 1913. Thinking about this floor, every time the floor is sanded, some of the usable lifespan is diminished.



**ENGINEERED** TIMBER FLOORS Floors of significance like this are treated with care and not sanded unless absolutely necessary. This is to preserve the floor for future generations.

The accepted way is to treat the surface of the wood and maintain that surface, rather than sanding the surface again and again.

#### HELPING REDUCE OUR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

By maintaining a wood floor such as the YES! Colour Premium Oak Collection by using Oils and a robust maintenance schedule, we can contribute to the environment in three important ways:

We can extend the lifespan of your wood floor by maintaining the floor over time, and as a result reduce landfill events, and further manufacturing events. By maintaining a floor and preserving the top layer coating system, we are extending the lifespan of the floor.



## EXTENDING THE YES! COLOUR PREFINISHED FLOORING LIFESPAN

The YES! Colour Prefinished Engineered wood flooring is finished with our Lifespan Extension Technology Oil System.

Our Lifespan Extension Oil penetrates into the grain cells and nourishes the wood fibres of your YES! Colour engineered wood floor. We use a high-quality UV oil to finish our YES! Colour Prefinished which can be maintained indefinitely.

With this nourishing oil, it acts to bolster the water resistance of the finish, improve and reinvigorate the sheen level, and all the while reducing the appearance of fine scratches!

#### WHAT IS OIL?

Finishes to wood have been around for thousands of years, and the most reliable finish is Oil, with an Oil finish we can efficiently maintain the wood surface, nourishing the wood just like our skin. We don't use a surface-based lacquer in our skincare routine - we use different types of oil.

## HOW DOES THE LIFESPAN EXTENSION REAPPLICATION OIL WORK AND HOW OFTEN SHOULD I USE IT?

The maintenance Oil is clear and VOC free (no harmful chemicals). The Oil application does not leave any 'lap lines' which means there is no requirement to move heavy furniture out of the way.

We recommend using the maintenance oil every 12, 24 or 36 months depending on your use of the floor. When purchasing the lifespan extension package, our team will get an understanding of your intended use of the floor to make a suitable recommendation on Maintenance Oil application intervals.



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