

How to Choose the Best Flooring for Your Home

With so many different flooring options available, we have teamed up with [Stories Flooring](#) in Leeds UK to help you choose the best floor for your home.

There are several factors to consider that can help you to narrow down your options, such as where the floor will go, how much space you have available, and whether you want to install the floor yourself.

If you need help figuring out which floor to purchase, here's a quick guide on what to consider...

Where will your new flooring go?

Which room the floor will be installed will ultimately determine the type you should go for. Each room has unique flooring requirements based upon how it is used. For example, the flooring in the hallway needs to be able to cope with high levels of daily foot traffic. The flooring in the bathroom meanwhile, needs to be waterproof and slip resistant.

These unique factors need to be taken into account when choosing the right floor for your home.

How much space are you working with?

Is the room large or small? If you are working with a smaller room, you will want to stick to lighter coloured flooring. They naturally brighten up the room, giving the illusion of extra space. For larger rooms, opt for darker colours and wider, longer planks.

Do you want to install the floor yourself?

If you want to install the floor yourself, you are going to need to pay attention to the installation method. Some floors need to be glued down, others need to be nailed down, and some come with a click or tongue and groove system.

Most types of flooring are easy enough to install by yourself. The only exception is solid wood flooring, which sometimes needs to be nailed down in place. If done incorrectly, you could damage the board, requiring it to be replaced. To save time and money, get your solid wood flooring installed by the professionals.

The easiest installation method to follow is either click system or tongue and groove flooring.



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How much maintenance are you willing to put in?

These days, most flooring options offer a somewhat maintenance free approach. However, engineered, and solid wood flooring will require slightly more maintenance than non-wood flooring.

Think about how much effort you are willing to put into maintaining your new floor. If you want minimal maintenance, LVT or SPC flooring are the best options.

What budget are you working with?

The budget you are working with will determine the type of floor you can afford. Real wood floors for example, tend to come at a premium price, while LVT floors are the cheapest option. However, if you buy from a company that specialises in discount flooring, you could save enough to afford engineered or solid wood.

It is possible to find branded floors at low, affordable prices. So, budget doesn't always need to be a barrier to luxury flooring.

What look are you going for?

To ensure your new flooring fits in perfectly, you need to consider the look you are hoping to achieve. What is your current décor and does your choice of flooring complement it?

You will find a huge range of flooring designs on the market, helping you to create practically any look you want. From parquet to stone-effect and abstract designs, there is something to suit all tastes and budgets.

Choosing the best flooring for your home doesn't have to be difficult. Ask yourself the questions above to help determine

which floor is right for you.