

INSTALLATION GUIDE

Engineered Hybrid Click Lock

Stair Nose



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Important Information

It is important to employ safe working practices and use safety protection gear when installing flooring, such as protective eyewear and clothing, safe footwear and respiratory protection gear.

Please note that this is only a guide and we always recommend that you use professional installers for our products. Installation must be done in accordance with AS/NZS 1884-2021 Floor coverings – Resilient sheets and tiles – Installation practices. Incorrect installation or preparation of the subfloor will void your warranty.

Please read through the entire Installation Guide <u>before</u> you begin installing your new flooring.

Installation Tips

Tips to minimise movement caused by factors, including temperature and humidity, subfloor and improper installation.

- Ensure that both the room and the new planks are acclimatised to 18-27°C for a period of at least 48 hours prior to installation. This temperature should be maintained prior to, during, and for at least 24 hours after the installation is completed.
 - The indoor temperature must *always* be above 18°C and below 27°C.
- Ensure that your subfloor moisture content is not above the recommended amount according to the current Building Code of Australia and/or relevant state and territory building codes.
- Prior to installation, determine whether you will remove old skirtings and replace them with new ones after installation. We leave the choice to reuse old/new skirting up to the installer as they are the ones onsite and best able to determine if they can reuse the skirting.
- Check all planks before and during installation (if defective planks are installed, the warranty will be void in respect to those planks).

Required Tools and Equipment

- Safety gear and protective clothing *particularly, safety glasses and safety gloves*
- Pencil
- Stanley knife
- Tape measure
- Straight Edge
- Square
- String/chalk line
- ✤ Hammer and tapping block
- Pull Bar (optional)
- Table Saw, Jig Saw or Mitre Saw



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Preparation

- The room that the stair nose is to be installed in should be acclimatised to 18-27°C for a period of at least 48 hours before installation (be maintained prior to, during and for at least 24 hours after the installation is completed).
- Do not attempt installation in severe conditions if it's less than 18°C or more than 27°C.
- Make sure your subfloor is thoroughly cleaned from all contaminates (sweeping, vacuuming and damp mopping may be required).
- Ensure the subfloor is dry, flat, even, firmly fixed, stable, clean and free from debris, nails, grease, old adhesives and any chemical substances.
- All substrates need to be level before laying the stair nose otherwise you can encounter imperfections in the floor that maybe present during and after the installation.
 - Any uneven surfaces will need to be levelled with levelling compounds or other material suitable for the application, please talk to a professional for the best advice for your subfloor.
- Repair any damaged areas, holes, gaps and indentations by using a compound or anything recommended by your specialist. The floor will need to be level throughout the area that will be covered with the new flooring.
- Remove any carpet, cushion vinyl, floating laminate, needle felt, parquet and the like.
- Remove any existing stair nose.





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Installation

Step 1

- Begin by removing existing floor coverings from the stairs.
- Remove the backing from all the planks that will be adhered to the risers and/or treads.
 - This can be done by heating the backing to soften the glue and slowly peeling the foam backing from the plank, or by using an oscillating tool.
 - If the floor is being laid on the second level as well, you will need to leave a 10-12mm expansion joint between the stair nose (or planks) that are glued and the remaining of the floor (which must be left floating). The gap must be covered with a cover trim.

Step 2

- Install the stair nose on the landing step
 - Glue and install the stair nose with a strong adhesive such as liquid nail or Bostik Ultra-Set hardwood adhesive
 - The stair nose should sit flush with the riser.
 - Glue the stair nose to the tread as well as the riser.

Step 3

- If Engineered Hybrid Click Lock is being installed on the riser, cut the planks to size so that they fit on the riser.
 If multiple planks are required, glue and install the next plank, clicking it into the plank laid previously.
- If installing the Flush Stair Nose, the planks being installed on the riser need to be clicked into the stair nose for a clean look.

Step 4

- Dry test each plank going on the thread before gluing.
 - Place the stair nose in position
 - o If multiple planks are required for the depth of the tread, click them into the stair nose laid previously.
- Once all planks are cut to size, remove and apply the adhesive to each plank. Install them on the tread.
- Repeat this process for each stair.

Finishing

- Once all the flooring is laid you can go over the stairs with a heavy roller to ensure the planks have bonded to the adhesive successfully (optional).
- Avoid traffic on the stairs for 12 hours after installation.
- You can apply a coloured silicon to the edges of the planks on the riser and tread for a clean finish.
 Alternatively, you can install Serfloor matching SPC scotia to cover the gaps around the perimeter for a clean finish.



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Things to remember:

Due to the nature of the product, it will expand and contract with temperature changes. Some movement can be expected to occur once your floor is laid and it climatises to its environment. On some occasions gaps or peaking may appear between boards if extreme temperature fluctuations have occurred. The amount of movement a floor experiences is influenced by humidity, temperature, installation methods and the sub floor the product has been laid on. Some maintenance may be required to tighten up the boards after installation.