



FreshCut Hickory ClarionChoice Flooring

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product information

fresh cut Hickory is a deeply beautiful wood with tight grain patterns and heavy color variations; this product seeks to exploit the power of the grain and color; knots and other defects will be kept to an absolute minimum to show off the wood's refined features; we will maximize the use of this forest resource by providing the widest and longest boards possible; our standard production is FSC certified so that you know that you are contributing to responsible use of our forest resources in the floor you buy and the company it supports

specie

American Hickory

moisture content

kiln-dried to 6-8% moisture content

source :: FreshCut (not recycled)

well managed American forest lands

hardness

janka hardness rating: 1360

character rating

our character rating: 2.1 (refined)

our character scale rates floors on a 1 - 10 scale; a low number is a refined floor and a high number is very rustic

grading

the appearance standards outlined here apply to a floor as a whole and not to individual boards

knots

very small ($\frac{1}{4}$ " across) are allowed; occasionally larger knots are left in to preserve board length

cracks/checks

slight surface checking is allowed especially near the end of the boards

color

heavy to a medium brown with variances to creamy sapwood and very dark brown streaking

grain

the majority of the wood will be flat or cathedral grain; some rift cut or quarter sawn boards may be included

millwork

$\frac{3}{4}$ " thick; the tongue and groove will be milled on the edges; the back of the board is milled with back outs; the ends of the boards will be cut square

widths

3" to 7" milled to the full inch wide with custom sizes available; floors are usually produced with a combination of 3 or more face sizes with enough of each size to create a random pattern

lengths

2' through 12'; with an average of about 6'

surface

the face is planed smooth and sanded

installation

basic principles of installation for solid wood floors apply to this product and it should be installed according to the standard professional practices of your area; although, installers should be well experienced with custom wood floors and have artistic skill in board placement

unfinished

this flooring product comes unfinished and is designed to be prepped and finished on site