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Care instructions
pur natur floorboards

Not least out of respect for the up to 120-year- old wood ...

... from which our floorboards are made, it should be treated with care. But also so that the planks can withstand the influences of many years and develop a protective patina over time. The appearance of pur natur floorboards naturally changes over the years of use. Those who care for them regularly will be rewarded with a harmonious appearance of the planks and a technically flawless floor, even after years of intensive use.

For an inspiring flooring experience and so that your pur natur floorboards can last for many generations, we explain in these instructions what you need to pay attention to when cleaning and caring for them. Should you have any questions that you cannot find answers to here or need additional advice, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Enjoy your floorboards

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1. Accessories needed

For the cleaning and care of pur natur floorboards, we always recommend our matching accessories as well as the care products recommended by us. These help to create a visually flawless surface result. Experience has shown that other products do not achieve the desired result. We therefore strongly advise against their use. You can obtain the required accessories from pur natur.



Only use the care products recommended by us for the care of pur natur floorboards in order to avoid undesirable results in the surface appearance of the floorboards.

1.1 Cleaning and maintenance tools

You will need the following tools to clean and maintain the floorboards:

- > **pur natur floor care set** (bucket with 15 L capacity, mop with cotton cover and holder for white nylon sponge)
- > **Measuring cup with at least 1 L capacity** (for dosing)
- > **White nylon sponge** (for heavy soiling)



Do not use microfibre cloths for cleaning and care, as these can get caught in the wood and cause problems!

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2. Soaped floorboards

Soaped pur natur floorboards have the special feature that cleaning and care are carried out identically and in one operation. Every time you clean the floor, you also automatically maintain the floorboards. This makes the maintenance of soaped floors very easy.

2.1 Cleaning and care products

For cleaning and care of pur natur floorboards with soaped surfaces, use the floor soap recommended by us, regardless of the type of wood. This is available in two variants (natural and white). With constant use and care of the floorboards, this re-greasing soap leaves a protective film on the floorboard surface. Soap in white or natural has a different effect on the appearance of the floorboards and the patina that develops.

For soaped floorboards, we therefore recommend selecting the care product in accordance with the desired patina or surface appearance.

Choosing the floor soap for soaped floorboards

Care product	Influence on the surface	Patina
Soap white	Colour impression is further lightened	white-greyish
Soap nature	Colour impression remains natural	soft-brownish

Table 1: Care products for soaped floorboards



The choice of soap has an influence on the resulting patina as well as the colour impression of the floorboards.

2.2 Cleaning and care interval

pur natur floorboards with soaped surfaces are protected by a film formed by the floor soap. This film is only slightly pronounced directly after installation and surface treatment and builds up bit by bit in the first few months after installation until it's complete. Up to this point, soaped floorboards are somewhat more sensitive to environmental influences than, for example, oiled floorboards. Soaped floorboards must therefore be maintained more frequently and with a higher concentration of soap solution in the initial phase.

Time after laying	Care interval	Mixing ratio
Initial phase (six months)	every 4-6 weeks/as needed	Soap 1 : 10 Water
After six months	every 6-8 weeks/as required	Soap 1 : 20-40 Water

Table 2: Care interval for soaped floorboards

2.3 Cleaning and caring for soaped floorboards

The procedures for cleaning and caring for soaped floorboards are identical. In both cases, proceed as follows.

You will need:

- pur natur floor care set (see p. 4)
- Measuring jug with a capacity of at least 1 L
- White nylon sponge (for heavy soiling)
- pur natur soap (natural or white)
- Hand warm water

1. Clear the floorboard area

Clear the floor space of objects and furniture. Immovable objects are left out during maintenance. In the course of time, visible contours naturally form in these places.

2. Provide tools and prepare water

Prepare the required tools and pur natur soap. Fill the bucket with the required amount of lukewarm water. For a floorboard area of 75–100 m², calculate at least 5 L as the basic quantity.

3. Prepare soap solution

Shake the soap vigorously so that any pigment comes off the bottom of the canister and is completely distributed. Now mix the soap with the water in the indicated ratio.

4. Apply wiping water and allow to act briefly

Now apply the mop water dripping wet to the floorboards using a mop. Spread the mop water over the floorboards by wiping them “crosswise”. Allow the soap to work in for a short moment.

5. In case of heavy soiling

To work on heavy dirt on the floorboards, gently scrub these areas with the white nylon sponge.

6. Wring out the wiper and pull off the floorboards

Wring out the wiper. Then wipe the floorboards lengthwise without leaving any marks. The boards do not have to be dry, but they should no longer be “soaking wet”.

7. Let dry

Allow the floorboards to dry. Do not walk on them during the drying process.

TIP: It is best to work room by room. Divide very large areas into several strips of 3–4 floorboards each and work on them one after the other.



For floor areas of 150 m² or more, the mop water should be changed after half.

3. Oiled floorboards

Oiled pur natur floorboards are cleaned with a soap solution. They are cared for by intensive surface treatment with special care oils. The latter is necessary every 3-5 years - depending on the wear and tear of the floorboards - and should be carried out by a floor layer. The oiled surface must not be completely worn out before a care oil is applied. In the latter case, the surface must be refinished.

3.1 Cleaning and care products

For cleaning pur natur floorboards with oiled surfaces, use the floor soap recommended by us, regardless of the type of wood. This is available in two variants (natural and white). With constant use and care of the floorboards, the re-greasing soap leaves a protective film on the floorboard surface. Soap in white or natural has a different effect on the appearance of the floorboards and the patina that develops.

For a care oiling of the floorboards, use care oils from the same manufacturer whose products were used for the surface treatment.

Choosing the floor soap

Care product	Suitable for	Patina
Soap white	White/light oiled floorboards	white-greyish
Soap nature	Natural/dark oiled planks	soft-brownish

Table 3: Cleaning products for oiled floorboards



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3.2 Cleaning and care interval

pur natur floorboards with oiled surfaces are protected by the oil film on the surface. Floor soap helps to loosen soiling and forms an additional protective film against environmental influences over time.

Type	Care interval	Mixing ratio
Cleaning	every 4-6 weeks/as needed	Soap 1 : 40 Water
Care oiling	every 3-5 years	-

Table 4: Care interval for oiled floorboards

3.3 Cleaning oiled floorboards

Proceed as follows when cleaning oiled floorboards.

You will need:

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- Measuring jug with a capacity of at least 1 L
- White nylon sponge (for heavy soiling)
- pur natur soap (natural or white)
- Hand warm water

1. Clear the floorboard area

Clear the floor space of objects and furniture. Immovable objects are left out during maintenance. In the course of time, visible contours naturally form in these places.

2. Provide tools and prepare water

Prepare the required tools and pur natur soap. Fill the bucket with the required amount of lukewarm water. For a floorboard area of 75–100 m², calculate at least 5 L as the basic quantity.

3. Prepare soap solution

Shake the soap vigorously so that any pigment comes off the bottom of the canister and is completely distributed. Now mix the soap with the water in the indicated ratio.

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3.4 Caring for oiled floorboards

Maintenance oiling of the plank floor should be carried out professionally by a floor layer. We recommend the following procedure.

What is needed for this:

- Cleaning machine
- Disc sanding machine
- Sanding pads (white or beige)
- Cotton cloth
- Intensive cleaner (1L for 200-300 m²)
- Lukewarm water
- Maintenance oil

Work step 1: Cleaning the floorboards

1. Clear the floorboard area

Clear the floor space of objects and furniture. Immovable objects must be disassembled or left out for maintenance oiling.

2. Clean the floorboards and allow to dry

Clean the floorboards thoroughly with lukewarm water and intensive cleaner in a ratio of 40:1 to 20:1, depending on the soiling, so that the soap layer dissolves. Take up any excess mop water afterwards and remove any soap residue. Allow the floorboards to dry completely.

Work step 2: Treat floorboards with care oil

1. Apply care oil and "massage" in

Apply the care oil "generously" to the floorboards using a plate machine (pad white or beige). Spread the oil evenly over the floorboards and pad until the care oil has been absorbed by the surface.

2. Optional: Remove excess oil and polish floorboards

If there is excess oil on the floorboards, remove it with a cotton cloth after a reaction time of 15-30 minutes, also in joints. Then polish the floorboards with a plate machine and cotton cloth. This step is not mandatory.

3. Allow care oil to dry

Allow the care oil to dry completely for about 24-48 hours. The floorboards must not be walked on during this time.



CAUTION FIRE HAZARD! Cotton cloths and pads soaked in oil can self-ignite! Dispose of them properly!

Disclaimer

These instructions are based on German law and regulations. The advice from pur natur exclusively refers to pur natur products. For advice on other building or construction phases such as insulation or moisture barriers and for advice on products from third parties, we expressly refer to the respective service provider or manufacturer. Since pur natur has no influence on the respective local conditions, nor on the execution quality of craftsmanship and the materials used, these instructions do not represent any form of guarantee. All illustrations are indicative. All errors and misprints reserved.

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