





Healthy indoor climate for both man and wood

Bergland-Parkett has a natural residual moisture content of approx. $8\% \pm 1\%$ at delivery. This corresponds to the normal or average moisture content of wood between summer and winter climates (heating period).

Wood may expand or contract should the climate change drastically. To avoid detrimental effects, the humidity should be maintained at 50 - 60% (20 - 22 °C) in the interest to both your own well-being and that of your parquet – especially when the room is heated.

Indoor plants (hydro-cultures), fountains, humidifiers, heater attachments etc. will help you achieve this. If these guidelines are disregarded, gaps may open up between floor boards or stress cracks may even appear in the wood itself during the heating season.

Visit our download centre for additional information on caring for your Bergland-Parkett flooring: Maintenance Guide www.bergland-parkett.at/de/produkte-en.asp

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Follow these guidelines to preserve the beauty and value of your Bergland-Parkett floor for decades.



Dear Bergland-Parkett costumer

Allow us to first of all congratulate you on your choice of Bergland-Parkett. With this decision you have opted for a wooden floor in a perfect meld of natural beauty in a fantastic design and superior quality. Whilst the Bergland-Parkett with its innovative design and state-of-the-art manufacturing process is extremely robust and easy to care for, certain guidelines for protection and maintenance must be followed (as is the case with all natural wood products), to ensure that the beauty and quality of the floor is preserved for decades to come.

PARQUET FLOORING MAINTENANCE

1. Parquet care for varnished surfaces

Initial care and cleaning of your floor:

After laying your Bergland-Parkett flooring, administer inital care with Bergland-Parkett Joint-Finish. This impregnates and varnished specifically the face and long joints to provide additional protection against penetrating moisture. The exact application procedure is included with the Bergland-Parkett Joint-Finish Initial Care Set, available from your specialist retailer. Polishing off the Joint-Finish leaves the parquet flooring with a silky shine and mild fragrance.

Routine care and maintenance of varnished surfaces:

With the exquisite and robust Bären-Quality-Seal, combined with the Initial Care and Joint-Finish, you have optimally prepared your parquet flooring for its use. For normal cleaning, all you have to do now is to vacuum your floor or sweep it with a soft broom. When you wipe your floor with a moist cloth from time to time, add parquet care polish for additional protection. You may also add in neutral, wax-free cleaning agents. Your cleaning mop should always be well wrung out (damp) to prevent moisture from entering the parquet joints and to retain your floor's soft, silky shine. In the case of spots or similar blemishes, use a special cleaner to remove these immediately. When caring for your floor, please meticulously follow the instructions for care (label on the bottle) included in the Care set.

Absolutely avoid abrasive cleaning agents or cleaning agents with salmiac or ammonium chloride



2. Parquet floor maintenance for oil | wax surfaces

Initial care (mandatory ex-factory) and cleaning of your floor:

Whilst oil | wax Bergland-Parkett surfaces are quite hard-wearing, they nevertheless need special care due to their open-pored nature and the direct use of the wooden surface. The service life of your parquet flooring will be extended in direct proportion to the protection of its surface during laying and in the following few weeks and the more conscientiously the following instructions for care are observed. With open pored oil wax surfaces, initial care is particularly important and is mandatory ex-factory, due to the high risk of soiling. The floor is thoroughly cleaned after laying (vacuum cleaner, broom etc.). This is followed by initial care using the Clean&Polish Initial Care set supplied by Bergland-Parkett, following the enclosed instructions for use. Initial care ensures that the face and long butt joints of the parquet elements are well impreanated. The floor furthermore becomes dirt- and water-repellent. The colour of the wood is also revitalised and a pleasant citrus fragrance is evident after polishing with a white pad.

Routine care and maintenance of oil | wax parquet floors:

Initial care is followed by conventional cleaning with a vacuum cleaner or soft broom. Use a well wrung out mop (damp) using water and Bergland-Parkett floor soap to wipe a slightly soiled floor. TIP: Use 2 buckets - one with the cleaning mixture and one with clean water to wash the mop|cloth. WARNING: Only wipe with a damp cloth or mop - don't allow water puddles to form on the surface since this may lead to damages along the joints when the wood swells. In the case of stubborn stains, first wipe with Bergland-Parkett special cleaner and a moist cloth, then rub with pure soap and a white Scotch Brite. WARNING: Do not allow pure soap to remain on the surface for longer than 5 minutes before removing completely with a damp cloth; then allow to dry and oil with some care wax oil. Should matt areas requiring care appear on the floor, treat the parquet with Clean&Polish - treat only the specific areas, not the entire surface. The procedure is the same as with initial care. To maintain your wooden floor, please carefully follow the instructions included in the Care sets.

Basic cleaning:

If the floor becomes severely soiled or if frequent use of care products leaves layers, then cleaning is required using Bergland-Parkett Intensive Cleaner in accordance with the application instructions. This is followed again by initial care using Clean&Polish.

3. Measures for protection

Avoid unnecessary stress on the floor, leading to wear and tear.

Effect of water:

- · Strictly avoid any wetness on your floor.
- Spilled water must be removed immediately. Failing this, there is a risk of bulging, formation of gaps, dishing, staining, etc.
- This is why all parquet floors may only be cleaned "damp".
 Please do not use steam cleaners.

Fine sand or small stones have a highly abrasive effect on the parquet surface, impairing both its beauty and service life. Your floor will therefore appreciate it if you provide foot mats for your "clean walking areas".

High point loads:

Wood comes in varying hardness. Yet, irrespective of your seleted type of wood, high point loads should be avoided. Do not walk on your floor with high heels, if possible. Fit felt protectors or pads to chairs, table legs or other furniture applying high point loads. To protect the parquet surface from chairs on castors, provide suitable protective mats or use special castors for hard floors (stone, wood).

Effect of light:

Exposure to light (UV) changes the colour pigments of all woods over time. Darker wood types become a little lighter whilst light wood darkens.