



**AMERICAN ★ GUILD<sup>®</sup>**

HARDWOOD FLOORING CARE AND MAINTENANCE

## Hardwood Flooring Care & Maintenance

Whether used in residential and commercial applications, American Guild® Floors are the premium hardwood engineered floor of choice. The following care and maintenance guidelines provide helpful tips and precautions for keeping your floors looking their best for years to come.

### MAINTENANCE:

- Inspect your floors regularly, keeping them free of dirt, gravel, grease, oil and stains.
- Remove spills immediately using a soft cloth.
- Remove shoes with spiked or damaged heels before walking on floor.
- Place protective pads beneath furniture feet to reduce scratches and dents.
- Use hardwood floor approved area rugs in high traffic areas.
- Exposure to the sun and its UV rays accelerates the oxidation and aging of wood and fabrics. This causes the wood to fade and change color. We recommend you rearrange rugs and furniture periodically so the floor ages evenly. If your floor was just installed, we do recommend refraining from placing any rugs down for the first two months after initial installation to minimize drastic and rapid color change.

### CLEANING:

- Sweep or vacuum regularly since built-up grit can scratch and damage the surface of the wood. **DO NOT USE A VACUUM WITH A BEATER BAR HEAD.**
- American Guild Hardwood Flooring recommends the use of Bona hardwood floor cleaner products and kits available at [www.us.bona.com](http://www.us.bona.com).
- **NEVER** wet-mop or flood your floor with water or other products. This will severely damage the flooring and will void the warranty.
- **NEVER** use oil soaps, liquid or paste wax products, or other household cleaners that contain lemon oil, tung oil, silicon or ammonia, as they will dull your floor, damage the finish and void the warranty.