



## Summitt Forest Products Care and Maintenance Instructions Rubio Oil-Finished Floors

Applicable to floors purchased after 1-1-2016

Applicable to the following:

Old Vines Collection Flooring

Any other floors finished with Rubio Monocoat Hardwax Oil Finish

Not applicable to the following:

Private Reserve Flooring - Founder's Reserve Flooring

Any other floors finished with Ceramic or Ceramic/Oil Hybrid Finishes

Any floors finished with WOCA Oil Finish

### DO NOT'S:

1. Do **not** use products other than those recommended below to clean or maintain your floor.
2. Do **not** use **any** kind of tape on the surface of the flooring including tapes which you may have used on other floors. This will damage the finish.
3. Do **not** use any urethane or solvent based cleaners on the surface, including but not limited to: Mineral Spirits, Acetone, Paint Thinner and Lacquer Thinner.
4. Do **not** allow liquids to pool or stand on oiled surface for long periods.
5. Do **not** drag your feet (Rocks on shoes) or tools on the floors surface.

Remember, like any floor covering, our factory finished wood floors will show signs of wear over time, depending on the size and lifestyle of your family. By observing a few precautions and setting up a regular cleaning routine and maintenance program, you can expect years of beauty from your Old Vines floor. The following are examples of the reasonable and necessary maintenance you are expected to perform. They are not intended to be an exclusive list.

### Quick Guide

Condition	Action
The floor is dirty	Damp mop with Rubio Soap (diluted with clean water as per instructions)
The floor has a stain	Clean with Rubio Surface Care Spray
The floor has a stubborn stain	Spot-clean with Rubio Refresh in an aerosol spray can
The floor is starting to showing signs of wear, but the color is intact	Renovate the floor with Rubio Universal Maintenance Oil
The color is starting to fade in higher-traffic areas.	Color-Renovate the floor with Rubio Oil Plus 2C in the appropriate color

## RUBIO PRODUCT SUMMARY



Rubio Soap

To be diluted via dilution control 100 parts clean water to 1 part Soap.



Surface Care Spray

Mixture of 100 parts clean water and 1 part Soap, most commonly used in a spray bottle for the cleaning of spot stains.



Refresh

Serves two purposes:

1. Excellent at cleaning stubborn stains, especially chewing gum;
2. Repairs small areas of damaged finish (i.e. from application of a solvent such as acetone)



Universal Maintenance Oil

Repairs worn or rough finish where the color is still intact.



Oil Plus 2C

Re-oils areas of worn or damaged finish with color degradation.

Available in over 40 colors. Colors are mixable.

Formula will vary according to color of the chosen floor.

## Spot-Clean with Rubio Surface Care Spray or Rubio Refresh (aerosol version)

Frequency: As necessary

Materials: Rubio Surface Care Spray (Rubio Soap diluted 100:1 with water)  
and/or Rubio Refresh (aerosol version)

Terry-cloth towels                      Woven nylon scrub pad

Surface Care Spray: (1) Dispense from spray bottle;  
(2) Rub with terry towel.  
More stubborn stains: scrub with woven nylon pad.

Refresh: (1) Dispense from spray can;  
(2) Wait 60-90 seconds;  
(3) Rub with terry towel;  
(4) Buff very well until dry.  
More stubborn stains: scrub with woven nylon pad.

## Damp-mop with Rubio Soap and water

Frequency: Weekly, or as necessary

Materials: Rubio Soap                      Micro-fiber mop                      Terry-cloth towels

Rubio Soap is a non-residue cleaner that maintains the natural matte finish.  
Rubio Soap comes concentrated and should be mixed with water.

Instructions:

1. Mix this concentrated cleaner with water following the instructions on the label.
2. Damp mop the finish/floor using a microfiber or cotton mop. Be careful not to flood the surface – the mop should be rung out very well so as to apply the smallest amount of water possible. Under no circumstances should water be allowed to pool or flood.
3. For best results, immediately damp mop the floor again with clean water. Be careful not to flood the surface – the mop should be rung out very well so as to apply the smallest amount of water possible. Under no circumstances should water be allowed to pool or flood.
4. Allow the floor to dry.

## Renovate with Rubio Universal Maintenance Oil

Frequency:	Yearly, or as necessary
Materials:	Rubio Universal Maintenance Oil Low-speed floor buffer with white pads Terry-cloth towels
Coverage:	1 litre = +/- 2000 square feet

Universal Maintenance Oil will renew the finish and even out the slight sheen differences caused by variable traffic patterns. Ideally, the entire floor should be treated. However, especially with lighter-colored floors, an “every-other” strategy can be used, with high-traffic areas being renovated one year, and all areas, including lower-traffic areas being renovated the next year.

Floor can be walked-on 8 hours after renovation is finished.

- (1) Clean the floor as per the Periodic Cleaning instructions;
- (2) Treat any stubborn spots with Refresh or solvents.

When the floor is clean, we can begin the Oil Renovation process, starting with the perimeter:

- (3) Apply a small amount of oil to any perimeter areas unable to be accessed with the floor buffer;
- (4) Wait until the last of the oil applied has had at least 1 minute reaction time;
- (5) Buff the perimeter with a clean terry towel until very dry to the touch.

Then we can start on the main area of the floor:

- (6) Squirt a small amount of oil, approximately 4 tablespoons, onto the floor;
- (7) Place the buffer with the white pad on top of the oil. Turn on the buffer to spread the oil. Add oil when necessary to coat 100-125 sq. ft.;
- (8) Place a clean towel under the buffer, and buff the section dry;
- (9) Repeat until the area being renovated has been coated and buffed dry;
- (10) The floor can be re-set and walked on 6 hours later.

Please keep in mind: Excess oil on the floor will never completely cure. Floor must be buffed until dry to the touch. One liter of oil should renovate 2,000 sq ft+ of flooring. If you are using oil at a greater rate than 2,000 sq ft per liter, then you are using too much.

Oily rags must be handled properly, as improper handling can cause auto-combustion. If maintenance personnel are not familiar with proper handling procedures, please contact Summitt Forest Products for assistance.

NOTE: All floor finishes wear. Rubio Monocoat Oil Finishes are designed to be easily recoated upon first signs of wear. It is important to monitor your floor, and renovate with Universal Maintenance Oil as soon as the finish starts to look hungry, or feel rough, before the color starts to degrade.

## **Color-Renovate with Rubio Oil Plus 2C (in the appropriate color)**

Frequency:	Yearly, or as necessary
Materials:	Rubio Oil Plus 2C in the appropriate color. Low-speed floor buffer with white pads Terry-cloth towels
Coverage:	1 litre = +/- 2000 square feet

Oil Plus 2C in the appropriate color mixture will renew the finish, maintain the color, and even out the slight sheen differences caused by variable traffic patterns. Ideally, the entire floor should be treated. However, especially with lighter-colored floors, an “every-other” strategy can be used, with high-traffic areas being renovated one year, and all areas, including lower-traffic areas being renovated the next year.

Floor can be walked-on 8 hours after renovation is finished.

- (1) Clean the floor as per the Periodic Cleaning instructions;
- (2) Treat any stubborn spots with Refresh or solvents.

Mixing the Oil Plus 2C: This two-component oil needs to be mixed (catalyzed) as follows:

- (3) Pour half of the Oil Plus (Part A) into a large bucket.
- (4) Add the Accelerator (Part B) to the remaining half of the Part A in the can.  
Close the lid and shake very well.
- (5) Add the pre-mixed quantity to the Oil Plus (Part A) in the bucket.  
Stir until you get a homogeneous mass.

When the floor is clean and the oil has been mixed, we can begin the Oil Renovation process, starting with the perimeter:

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Then we can start on the main area of the floor:

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Add oil when necessary to coat 100-125 sq. ft;
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## General Precautions

1. Sweep or vacuum regularly since built-up grit can damage the surface of the wood. The vacuum head must be a brush or felt type. Be certain the wheels of the vacuum are clean and do not damage the finish. DO NOT USE A VACCUUM WITH A BEATER BAR HEAD.
2. IMPORTANT: Do not use oil soaps (other than the recommended Rubio Soap), liquid or paste wax products or other household cleaners that contain citrus oils, lemon oil, tung oil, silicon, or ammonia since these warranties do not cover damage caused by non-recommended products. Use of these and other such products will harm the long-term performance of your floor and may also affect its recoatability.
3. Place protective felt pads beneath furniture and fixture legs and feet to reduce scratches and dents. Replace pads as needed.
4. Use a dolly and protective sheets of plywood when moving heavy objects, furniture, or appliances.
5. Make certain furniture casters are clean and operate properly (a minimum 1" wide vinyl surface where it comes in contact with wood is recommended). Clean wheels periodically to remove dirt and debris.
6. Use area rugs in extremely high traffic areas and pivot points (e.g., stair landings, room entries, etc.).
7. The proper humidity level (35%-55% relative humidity) must be maintained at all times during the year. Use of a humidification system may be required to maintain proper humidity levels to avoid excessive drying of the wood flooring. Seasonal gapping should be expected. Surface checking can be expected if the proper humidity level is not properly maintained between 35-55% R.H. or if the floor's surface temperature exceeds 82°.