

Fantastic flooring

Here's a round-up of the latest in hard floors. they're all beautiful, so you're spoilt for choice

▽ OVERSIZED TILES



Oversized floor tiles are big news right now, copying the look of boutique hotels. If space is limited, consider that larger tiles will also make a small area appear bigger.

OUR PICK: These ceramic tiles are strong and durable, and come in the latest

trends. Try 500 x 500mm Johnson tiles in Provence Pewter, R119,99/m².

BEST FOR: Bathrooms, kitchens, living rooms and passages.

CONTACT: Tile Africa, call 0800 002 783; www.tileafrica.co.za.

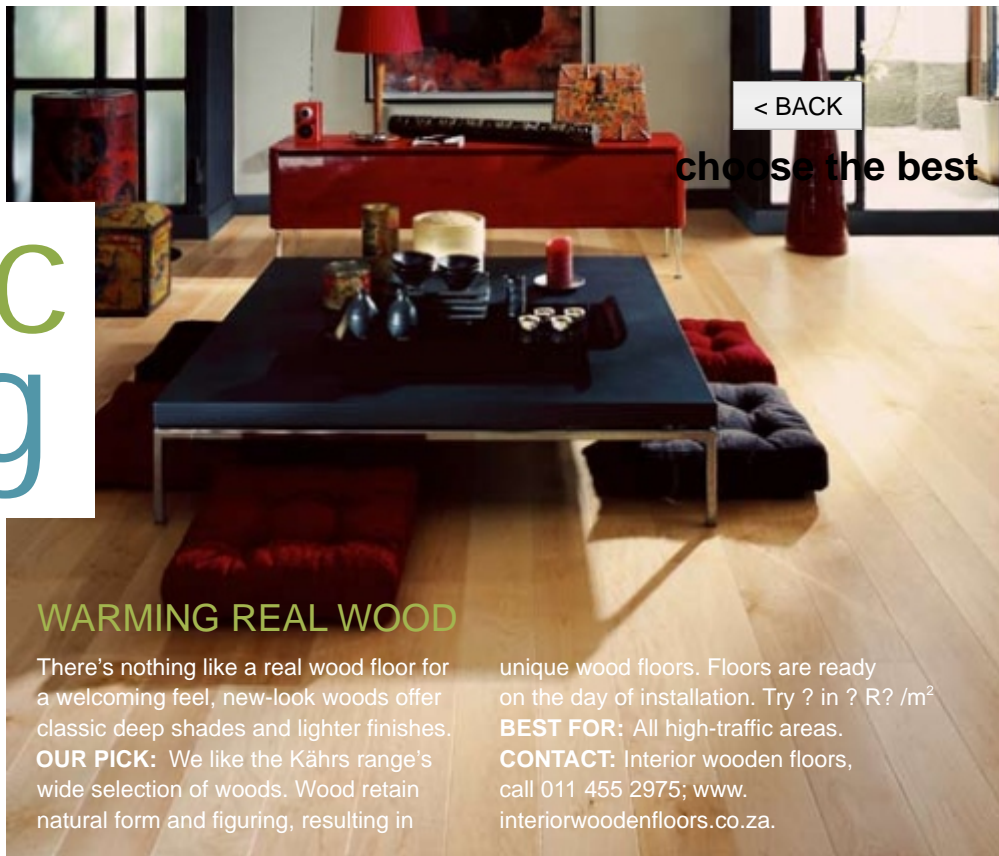
MARVELOUS MARBLE

Marble is still one of the most beautiful and durable flooring options around. Opt for a polished, glamorous look or go for a more natural and rustic feel.

OUR PICK: Crema Marfil's creamy golden hue will suit any colour scheme, from R592,80/m².

BEST FOR: Bathrooms, kitchens, living rooms and patios

CONTACT: Natural Stone Warehouse, call 011 465 4334; www.naturalstonewarehouse.com.



WARMING REAL WOOD

There's nothing like a real wood floor for a welcoming feel, new-look woods offer classic deep shades and lighter finishes.

OUR PICK: We like the Kährs range's wide selection of woods. Wood retain natural form and figuring, resulting in

unique wood floors. Floors are ready on the day of installation. Try ? in ? R? /m²

BEST FOR: All high-traffic areas.

CONTACT: Interior wooden floors, call 011 455 2975; www.interiorwoodenfloors.co.za.



▽ CARPETS OF CRYSTALS

Quartz is becoming more popular as flooring. It looks soft, the shimmer is luxurious and the stones feel great underfoot. Quartz is also durable and slip-and stain-resistant.

OUR PICK: This is a seamless stone screed flooring system that combines natural imported glacial aggregates, clear epoxy and polyurethane resins. The stones can also be coloured on request. We like the ? range, R550/m², fully installed.

BEST FOR: Kitchens, bathrooms, passageways and patios.

CONTACT: Quartz Carpet™, call 0861 782 789; www.quartzcarpet.co.za.

△ LUXURIOUS LAMINATES

Walnut and dark wood floors are in fashion and complement both traditional and contemporary interiors. Laminates are a great-value alternative to real wood – go for a quality brand to ensure durability.

OUR PICK: Kronotex has a wide selection of designs, and they all consist of at least four stable layers that ensure extraordinary durability. The top surface of the flooring is a layer of fused film that transforms the floor into a hard-wearing surface and adds a natural shine, R? /m².

BEST FOR: Passages, living rooms and bedrooms.

CONTACT: Kronotex, call 011 608 1105; www.kronotex.co.za.

