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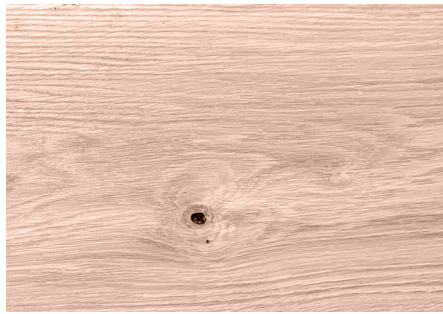
# GRADING

## EUROPEAN OAK FLOORING



### PRIME

Prime grade is a clean grade with sweeping cathedral grain, minimal pin knots and sap. Prime is less dynamic than rustic and creates a clean, modern look while retaining the natural feel of center cut planks.



### CHOICE

A perfectly balanced floor featuring prime grade with a mix of handsome character. Knots are sparse and mostly unfilled. No large checks or cracks creating an overall calm look and feel while embracing the natural beauty of wood.



### NATURAL

An embrace of the natural tendencies of oak. A mix of sweeping cathedral grain, tight vertical grain edges, knots and handsome cracks. Some flecking on the edges of wider boards can be expected. Sap wood is infrequent but can appear along edges of boards.



### LIVE

Live grade is dynamic and full of character. Striking heart oak from the tree's core, handsome knots and rift and quartered edges make this floor a dynamic expression of the mighty tree itself.

## BELGIAN OAK

Quercus Robur, the king of the temperate forests of central and northern Europe is one of the most sought-after species of deciduous hardwoods on the planet. Although related to Quercus Alba (Northern White Oak) European oak is singular in its smooth texture, cool consistent color range and straight tight grain. The trees' straight, thick trunk produces planks of extraordinary length and width.

Wood is perfectly imperfect! All images are meant to indicate general characteristics, but every MADERA wood floor is a unique expression of nature made from living material. All wood floors, no matter how high the grade, will have variation in grain and character. Please contact our team at [sales@maderasurfaces.com](mailto:sales@maderasurfaces.com) with any questions or concerns.

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# PRIME GRADE

EUROPEAN OAK FLOORING



## PRIME

Prime grade is a clean grade with sweeping cathedral grain, minimal pin knots and sap. Prime is less dynamic than rustic and creates a clean, modern look while retaining the natural feel of center cut planks.

### EUROPEAN OAK FLOORING: PRIME GRADE

WIDTH	GRAIN	SAP/HEART	KNOTS/FILLER	PATCHING	END CRACKS	CRACK-HEART
180-400mm [7" - 16"]	Sweeping cathedral grain	Mostly heart with minimal sap on edges	Infrequent unfilled pin knots	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	Not Allowed

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# CHOICE GRADE

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### CHOICE

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#### EUROPEAN OAK FLOORING: CHOICE GRADE

WIDTH	GRAIN	SAP/HEART	KNOTS/FILLER	PATCHING	END CRACKS	CRACK-HEART
180-400mm [7" - 16"]	Traditional french cut / center cut grain pattern. Includes flecking	Infrequent sap on edges of boards	Infrequent filled knots and unfilled pin knots throughout	Not Allowed	Infrequent	Handsome cracks allowed

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# NATURAL GRADE

## EUROPEAN OAK FLOORING



### NATURAL

Natural grade offers a classic feel with smaller more frequent knots and wider cathedral graining. No large cracks or open knots and minimal heart oak.

#### EUROPEAN OAK FLOORING: NATURAL GRADE

WIDTH	GRAIN	SAP/HEART	KNOTS/FILLER	PATCHING	END CRACKS	CRACK-HEART
180-400mm [7" - 16"]	Traditional french cut / center cut grain pattern. Includes flecking	Infrequent sap on edges of boards	Frequent filled and unfilled knots	Can be inserted on large knots	Allowed	Occasional non-structural cracks and cracks around knots allowed

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# LIVE GRADE

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## LIVE

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BELGIAN OAK FLOORING: LIVE GRADE

WIDTH	GRAIN	SAP/HEART	KNOTS/FILLER	PATCHING	END CRACKS	CRACK-HEART	BUTTERFLIES
180-400mm [7" - 16"]	True center cut pattern with heart center present on most planks	Mostly heart with infrequent sap on edges	Frequent filled and unfilled knots	Large knots can be patched if requested	Allowed	Handsome structurally sound knots throughout	Can be inserted in cracks if desired

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