



# FreshCut Maple NaturalDraft Flooring

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## **product information**

fresh cut Maple is a deeply beautiful wood with engaging grain patterns and lots of color variations; additional character will be had with knots and similar character; we will maximize the use of this forest resource by providing the widest and longest boards possible; our standard production is FSC certified so you know you are contributing to responsible use of our forest resources in the floor you buy and the company it supports

## **specie**

American Maples

## **moisture content**

kiln-dried to 6-8% moisture content

## **hardness**

janka hardness rating: 1450

## **character rating**

our character rating: 3.9 (some character)

our character scale rates floors on a 1 - 10 scale; a low number is a refined floor and a high number is very rustic

## **grade scope**

unless otherwise stated, the grade standards apply to an entire floor and not to individual boards which allows for a more natural look even in the refined products

## **knots**

unlimited knots of any size are allowed; some of the knots will be broken with parts missing; the concentration of knots tend to add some character, but not to the extent of being overly rustic.

## **cracks/checks**

surface checking is allowed especially near the end of the boards

## **color**

medium brown with variances to white sapwood and very dark brown streaking

## **grain**

the majority of the wood will be flat or cathedral grain; some rift cut or quarter sawn boards may be included

## **millwork**

¾" thick; the tongue and groove will be milled on the edges; the back of the board is milled with back outs; the ends of the boards will be cut square

## **widths**

3" to 7" milled to the full inch wide with custom sizes available; floors are usually produced with a combination of 3 or more face sizes with enough of each size to create a random pattern

## **lengths**

2' through 12'; with an average of about 8'

## **surface**

the face is planed smooth and sanded

## **installation**

basic principles of installation for solid wood floors apply to this product and it should be installed according to the standard professional practices of your area; although, installers should be well experienced with custom wood floors and have artistic skill in board placement

## **unfinished**

this flooring product comes unfinished and is designed to be prepped and finished on site