

Natural Wood Citadel Collection Product Information

VINTAGE VISUALS, 21ST CENTURY PERFORMANCE

The hardwood floors of the Citadel Collection have the appearance of a reclaimed floor whose look could only be achieved through years of time and wear. Looks are deceiving! Citadel floors are created by combining 21st century manufacturing techniques with artisan artistry to create a vintage appearance characterized by deep, rustic character, smooth, sculpted surfaces, and rich, saturated patinas.

ENGINEERED TO PERFORM

Citadel Collection hardwood floors incorporate a 4 mm oak wear layer onto a multiply engineered structure for a dimensionally stable plank designed to perform in multiple settings over concrete or raised floor systems. The wide plank engineered construction allows for a variety of installation methods based on the needs and requirements of your project.

THREE DISTINCT SERIES – FORTRESS, BASTION, AND TOWER

- The hallmark of the **Fortress Series** is the deep fissures created using the process of thermo-modification, creating a time worn visual reminiscent of an old mill floor. The Fortress Series features seven beautiful stains.
- Floors in the **Bastion Series** feature smooth, sculpted hand scraping. This is not the machined planed scraping that is so commonplace. Instead, actual human hands were used to create the surface texture on each plank. Six tailored visuals range from the painterly staining of Chevalier to the smooth, dark sophistication of Rochester.
- **Tower Series** floors have their vintage character enhanced with smooth raised knots and wire brushing that brings the natural wood grain to life. A slightly wider, 8 ½" plank, Tower Series' color palette includes a natural clear finish, a rustic whitewashed visual, and a deep, dark chocolate (and chewy coconut, too.)

FSC 100% CERTIFIED FLOORING

Citadel Collection floors obtain the FSC 100% certified designation of the Forestry Stewardship Council. This ensures that not only the oak wear layer, but also the entirety of the wood used to produce these beautiful floors, follows a verified and documented chain of custody. FSC certification gives you the confidence that only wood from well-managed forests harvested using environmentally responsible practices is used to make floors in our Citadel Collection.

NATURAL-E™ NATURAL OIL FINISH

Natural-E™ Natural Oil Finish penetrates the wood fibers to provide a natural layer of protection, while maintaining and enhancing the natural beauty of the wood. With no visual film on the surface, Natural-E™ Natural Oil Finish floors are distinguishable by their elegant patina.

EASY REPAIRABILITY

Citadel oak floors with Natural-E™ Natural Oil Finish are easy to care for and can be spot repaired, unlike pre-finished floors with hard surface coatings. An Citadel oiled floor never needs to be sanded, only regular applications of a USFloors recommended maintenance oil are necessary to nourish the wood and rejuvenate the luster to its original appearance.

Floors in the Citadel Collection are ideal for use in commercial projects, particularly hospitality projects, requiring superior performance and a distinctive visual aesthetic such as:

Bars & Restaurants Hotels
Retail Locations Municipal Buildings
Corporate Offices

Compare and Natural Oil Finish to a UV- Cured Urethane Finish

	Natural Oil Finish	UV- Cured Urethane Finish
Less time to maintain	Yes	No
Less expensive to maintain	Yes	No
Can be spot repaired without disrupting entire	Yes	No
Plastic film on wood surface	No	Yes
Penetrates and nourishes wood	Yes	No
Provides natural visual	Yes	No
Enhances natural grain of wood	Yes	No
Wood develops patina	Yes	No
Appearance dulls over time	No	Yes
Looks better with time and use	Yes	No
Minimizes appearance of surface scratches	Yes	No
Refinishing creates excessive dust	No	Yes