

# Parquet in the kitchen

- 1. Types of wood with a low tendency to swell or shrink must be preferred (+ wood type hardness):** Surface treatments by Bauwerk Parkett result in very high surface quality, and are well-suited for installation in kitchens. Lacquered surfaces show the highest level of resistance to chemicals and are easy to maintain. Darker and natural-coloured surfaces are a better choice than lighter or white oiled surfaces.
- 2. Installation method:** We only recommend full-area bonding, due to the significant weight of kitchen elements. With a floating installation, an expansion joint must always be left for kitchen elements.
- 3. Recommended adhesive:** We recommend using MS 35 or Bona. If you prefer a different adhesive, please follow the instructions provided by the manufacturer. Also comply with system recommendations.
- 4. Initial treatment:** As the installer, you must carry out the initial treatment of the parquet. In doing so, you will protect joints and edges against the penetration of dirt and moisture even more efficiently. For our oiled surfaces, we recommend Care Oil Plus or Hard Wax Care, which provides even better protection. We recommend Wax Polish for our mat lacquered surfaces. Please note that only the Bauwerk Parquet Care Eco product may be used for B-Protect® lacquered surfaces.
- 5. Maintenance:** Because kitchens tend to be cleaned more often, particular attention must be paid to regular parquet care. Explain this to your client. Oiled surfaces must be re-oiled at least 2–4 times per year.

## Important:

- **Felt gliders under furniture** (especially under chair and table legs). These will prevent scratches and dents.
- **Removal of liquids**  
Liquids must be removed from the floor as quickly as possible to avoid stains and swelling in the wood
- **Removal of greasy residue:**  
the better you care for the surface of the parquet, the less residue will remain on it. There are special products for removing greasy residues or stains. For more details, visit: [bauwerk-parkett.com](http://bauwerk-parkett.com)
- **Healthy room climate**  
Maintaining a healthy room climate (20–22 °C ambient temperature, and 35–45 % relative humidity during the heating period) is essential for preserving the quality of the parquet floor and for the well-being of the people in the room. The indoor climate in the kitchen is often humid. It must be regularly ventilated, and a relative air humidity of over 70 % should be avoided.
- **Carpets and protective mats**  
Please do not use any carpets or protective mats that contain plasticisers. Please check the data provided by the manufacturer.
- **Underfloor heating and cooling**  
The surface temperature must not exceed 29 °C. Always follow the instructions in the 'Information sheet for installation on floors with underfloor heating'.

**Cleaning and care:** Meet your client directly beforehand, and explain to them the nature of the droplet test. With oiled surfaces in the kitchen, the end client must perform it regularly.

**Droplet test:** Let a drop of water fall onto the natural-oiled parquet. If the drop remains tense and compact on the surface, then the surface of the parquet is fine. If the drop immediately soaks into the wood (the area where it fell becomes darker), the surface should be re-oiled. The frequency of oiling depends on how much the floor is used.

The end customer can do this on their own using Care Oil Eco or hire the installer to carry out the oiling.

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