## LAMINATE FLOORING INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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Thank you again, Lusso™

### **PRIOR TO INSTALLATION**

Prior to installation please be sure to review all installation instructions with a licensed and qualified flooring technician who is familiar with all local building codes in your jurisdiction.

### **PRODUCT FEATURES AND DESCRIPTION**

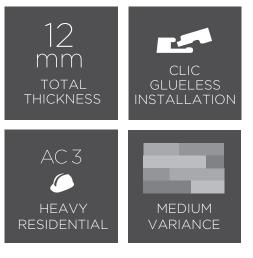
SURFACE TEXTURE	Light Texture
CLASS/AC RATING	AC3 Heavy Residential (Light Commercial)
FINISH	Lusso Luster™ (Matte Finish with Subtle Reflection)
TEXTURE	Light Brushed Surface
WIDTH	7 5/8"
LENGTH	6' / 4' / 2' Random Lengths (1820mm /1210m /610mm)
EDGE TYPE	Micro Bevel
INSTALLATION	Float, Click-Lock, Glueless
WARRANTY	25-Year Limited Residential
PACKAGING	10 sq.ft. per carton 8 pieces per carton Carton Weight: 45lbs/20.5kg





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## **ATTENTION - PRIOR TO INSTALLATION**

Laminate planks must acclimate to their final environment. Before opening, position boxes in the center of room where they will be installed and leave for 48 hours. This will provide protection from extreme expansion and contraction.

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Immediately upon receiving your Lusso product we strongly suggest immediate inspection for potential freight damage. Any claims for damage visible or hidden, must be made immediately in order for the carrier to assume full responsibility and absorb any associated costs.

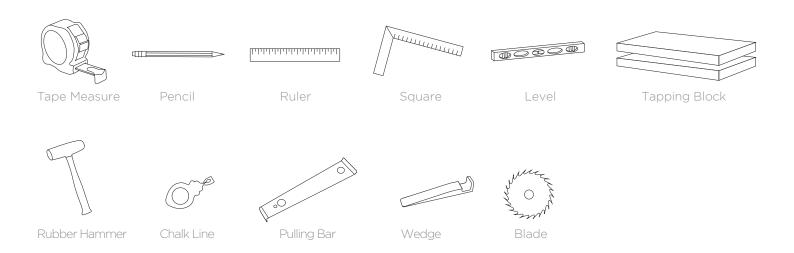
All subfloors must be prepared properly prior to laminate flooring installation. Be sure subfloor is clean, dry and has been professionally leveled by a qualified flooring.

### **CONFIRMING A SUITABLE SUBFLOOR FOR LAMINATE FLOORING INSTALLATION**

Hardwood floors, linoleum, resilient vinyl and dry ceramic flooring are surfaces that are considered suitable subfloors for laminate flooring installation.

A maximum acceptable reading of 5.0lbs/24hours/1000 sq.ft. for Cement floors on all grades and elevations. Cement floors should have a maximum residual moisture of 2.0 CM%.

### LAMINATE FLOORING INSTALLATION TOOLS

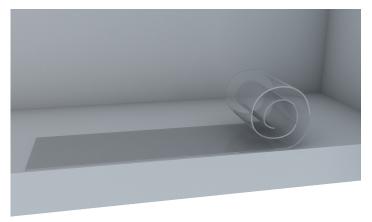


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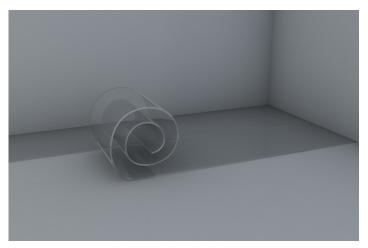
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**\*\*NOTE\*\* -** A 3/8" expansion joint between finish walls and laminate flooring is suggested. This will allow floors to expand and contract comfortably as temperatures fluctuate.

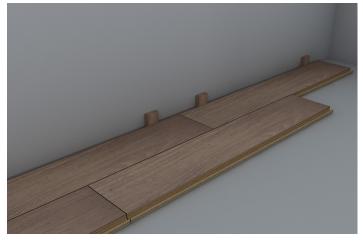
1. If laminate flooring will be installed on a slab cement subfloor a vapor barrier must be installed. A polyethylene film of 6mm is recommended.



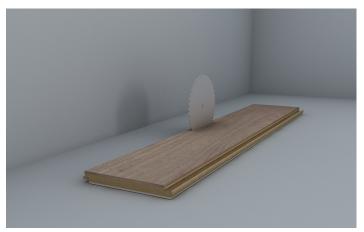
2. Underlayment padding or sound absorption material (EVA or others) should be used in conjunction with your laminate flooring. If a vapor barrier has been installed, the underlayment should be applied above the vapor barrier. If you are using laminate flooring with pre-adhered underlayment, then no additional underlayment is needed.



3. Start placing floor planks so that the tongue sides face the walls.



4. As you proceed to lay the planks on the floor, eventually you will need to remove the tongue from the planks that face the walls -- this will provide adequate room for spacers.



5. While the planks will fill the floor be sure to lay them close together as you will need to eventually attach them together.

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6. In order to achieve an off-set/brick pattern begin to "lock" the half-length planks with the full-length planks first. This can be achieved by placing the plank and tongue at an angle then inserting the tongue into the groove of a receiving plank.

A firm rocking motion while rotating the panel up and down will secure the planks together. You must be sure the planks have "clicked" into place to ensure a square joint line. If the planks have not been properly "clicked" into place this will cause damage to the tongue and groove of each plank.



7. Apply subtle pressure with a small piece of laminate to ensure the tongue and groove of the installed pieces stay flush and in-line. Proceed to evenly strike a tapping block against the locked planks until the end joints close forming a square joint line.

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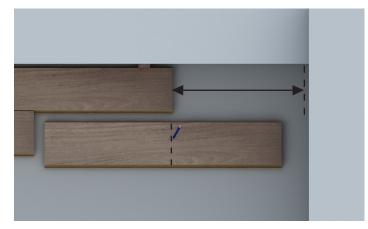
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**\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*** - If the planks are tapped too firmly or unevenly this can cause damage to the planks or peaking or buckling.

8. Once a full row has been completed you will need to measure and cut the end-piece in a row. This can be achieved by rotating the off-cut section 180°, mark the cut-line, rotate the piece back 180° and slide into the open space.

**\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*** - Remember when cutting end-pieces to account for a 3/8" expansion joint. Do not cut end-piece directly to the finished wall.



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9. Securely attach the end-piece to the row by using a pull bar. When finished, the end-joint should be square and level.

10. As the installation nears completion, the final row will need to be cut along the wall. When cutting the final row, the wall-line must be taken into consideration to ensure the planks run in-line with the wall.

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11. Finish the room by covering the expansion joint with a quarter round or any desired molding.

