

# GRADING GUIDE

The grade of material refers to how each plank of wood is selected. It's all about how it looks so - colour, frequency of knots and imperfections like sapwood are all considered. Our entire range of boards, whether it be our highest grade prime or most characterful are all made using the same exacting techniques to the highest standard. So when choosing your floor consider the grade, like one would with a diamonds clarity

## OAK

### PRIME



**AVAILABLE ON:** Bristol Tectonic®, Original Tectonic®, Chevron, Tectonic® Herringbone and Rift & Quarter Sawn

Little colour variation. Mainly clear boards. Occasional pencil knots up to 10mm allowed. No splits or sap permitted.

### SELECT



**AVAILABLE ON:** Extra Long Tectonic® Oak

Minimal colour variation. Many clear boards. Occasional knots up to 20mm diameter. May be filled or fillable. Pencil knots less than 10mm in diameter are not limited. No splits or sap permitted.

### STANDARD



**AVAILABLE ON:** Tiger Oak Tectonic®, Brown Oak Tectonic® and Steamed Oak

Little colour variation permitted. Occasional clear boards. Knots up to 35mm diameter. May be filled or fillable. Occasional small stable end splits one end – length up to 50mm. Occasional sound hard sap up to 5% of face area of the board.

### CHARACTER



**AVAILABLE ON:** Bristol Tectonic®, Original Tectonic® Herringbone, Giant Herringbone and Versailles Panels.

Colour Variation permitted. Knots up to 60mm diameter. May be filled or fillable. Cracks in knots up to 100mm either end of knot. Occasional small stable end splits one end – length up to 100mm. Occasional sound hard sap up to 10% of face area of the board.

### RUSTIC



**AVAILABLE ON:** Extra Long Tectonic® Oak

Colour variation allowed. Unlimited knot size. Knots may be filled or fillable. Occasional small stable end splits up to 100mm at either end of the board. Occasional sound, hard sap up to 10% of face area of the board.

### MILL RUN



**AVAILABLE ON:** Solid Tumbled Herringbone, Solid Square Edge Herringbone and Giant Oak.

This grading is a mix of our other oak grades with varying characteristics. All grades may contain smaller or larger colour variations and traces of sapwood. Unlimited knot size. Colour of boards, amount of clear boards, knot and splits or sap will vary per batch.

## EUROPEAN ASH

### SELECT



**AVAILABLE ON:** All European Ash

Unselected for colour (brown). Occasional sound knots – max. 2 cm. Minor (end) cracks up to 20 mm allowed. Sap allowed.

## DOUGLAS FIR

### SELECT



**AVAILABLE ON:** All Douglas Fir products (except reclaimed).

Mainly clear boards. Sound knots allowed up to approx. 3cm, open knots replaced by 3cm plugs. No splits Permitted. Sapwood allowed.

### RUSTIC



**AVAILABLE ON:** All Douglas Fir products (except reclaimed).

Sound knots are allowed without any limitations, open knots are replaced by 3/5cm plugs, open pin knots are filled with putty and sapwood is allowed without restrictions. Heart and end cracks up to 10 cm are allowed but are filled.

## DUTCH ELM

### MILL RUN



**AVAILABLE ON:** All Elm products.

Dutch Elm is a rare wood species, as such it is supplied in a mixed width and in a mix grade only (known as Mill Run). The grading is a mix of 4 grades with varying characteristics. All grades may contain larger colour variations and traces of sapwood, as this is typical for elm.

## WALNUT

### PRIME



**AVAILABLE ON:** All Walnut products.

Brown discolouration allowed, no centre core. Mainly clear boards. Sound Knots less than 11mm allowed. Open knots less than 10mm are filled. No end cracks or sap allowed.