ALETTE CLICK

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS
Alette CX Click-Application Vinyl Flooring

BEFORE YOU START

How to condition (acclimate) your floor

Your luxury vinyl planks should be stored in the room they are to be installed for a minimum of 48 hours prior to installation. During this time, the planks should remain in the carton, on a flat surface and the room temperature should be maintained consistent between 68 and 77F (20 to 25 degrees centigrade).

How to prepare your subfloor

Make sure that your subfloor is smooth, flat, dry, clean and solid:

- Carpet staples or adhesive residue should be removed prior to installation.
- Subfloors should be flat within a tolerance of 3/16th inch (4.7mm) over a span of 10 feet. Any unevenness over 3/16" (4.7mm) must be sanded down or leveled with a floor leveler. Voids or humps in the subfloor will prevent the planks from locking properly.
- Although these luxury vinyl planks are water resistant, they are not to be used as a moisture barrier. Your subfloor should be completely dry prior to installation of the vinyl floor. New concrete subfloors need to cure for a minimum of 60 days.
- New concrete slabs must be thoroughly dry (at least 6 weeks) and completely cured. The final responsibility for determining if the concrete is dry enough for installation of the flooring lies with the floor covering installer.
- Ceramic tiles should be made smooth by applying a cementious overlay such as patching or leveling compound to smooth out grout joints.
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Installation method of floor panels

Note: When installing the luxury vinyl plank you must remember to leave a 6mm (0.25") gap around the perimeter of the room. When first starting the installation you can install against the wall and after 2-3 rows adjust the distance from the wall by 0.25" and insert spacers to maintain that gap.

- Begin the installation in the left corner remembering to leave a gap of 6mm (0.25") from the left wall. Insert the end section of the next floorboard at an angle to the first one, then lay down.
- Complete the first row in the same manner.
- Place the final floorboard face down and the short side without the locking strip towards the wall. The distance to the wall should be 6mm. Mark where the floorboard is to be cut.
- Start the second row with the leftover cut part of the last plank of the previous row. The starter piece should measure at least 30 cm (12"). If not, start with a new plank and cut it larger than the required 30cm (12").
- Please note that the end joints should always be at least 30cm (12") from each other from row to row.
- Place the floorboard at an angle against the floorboard in the previous row, press forward and fold down at the same time.

- Place the short end of the floorboard at an angle against the previous installed floorboard and fold down. Ensure that the board is positioned in the integral locking strip of the floorboard in the previous row.
- Lift both the current as well as the previous plank from this row, push to slide the current plank against the row in front so it aligns with the previous plank. The current and previous plank can now be folded completely down to horizontal position.
- After 2-3 rows, adjust the distance to the front wall by placing spacers of 6mm. Keep the spacers in position during the entire time of installation and remove once the installation is completed.
- If the wall is uneven, the floorboards must be adapted to its contours. Mark the floorboards with the contour of the wall. Do not forget to leave 6mm (0.25”) of gap from the wall.
- This procedure shall be used also for the first row if necessary.

IMPORTANT

Different production runs: Vinyl floors can have slight color variations in between production runs. Before starting the installation, it is best to check the production run # which is indicated on the label on the short side (end) of the carton. If you find that you have cartons from different production runs, it is highly recommended that you open 2-3 cartons and install a mix of planks from each different production run on your floor. This will result in a more natural looking floor.
Do not install your luxury vinyl tile over soft subfloors such as carpet or foam underlay.
This product is also not to be installed in areas that have a potential for flooding such as saunas or outdoor areas.

Connect panels with care and make sure the click engages well before pushing the plank down. Forcing the planks might cause surface damage (lifting end-joint surface edge) beyond repair.