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## OAK FLOORING, OAK DOORS & WROUGHT IRONWARE



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## Introduction

To keep your new oak flooring in top condition, you need to finish it with some form of protective coating.

We think the best products for doing this are natural hard wax oils.

One of the most popular of these is [Osmo Polyx-Oil](#).

This natural product is available in either a Satin or Matt finish, is incredibly hard-wearing, micro-porous (breathable) and also water repellent.

We've created this mini guide and video to show you how to apply Osmo Polyx-Oil – it also applies to other hardwax oils like Blanchon.

## What You Will Need

- [Osmo Polyx-Oil Satin Or Matt](#) (A 2.5 litre tin will cover 30 square metres with two coats)
- Vacuum Cleaner/Dust Pan and Brush
- Natural Bristle Brush (Osmo Natural Bristle Brush used in example)
- Floor Brush (Osmo Floor Brush used in example)
- Stirring Implement
- Tray

## 1. Cleaning The Surface

Begin by completely cleaning the surface of the [oak flooring](#) using a vacuum cleaner or dust pan and brush.

This will remove any dirt or dust particles which may be sitting on top of the boards and would contaminate the oil later on.

You should also make sure that the skirting boards are also clear from dust and dirt.

## 2. Covering The Skirting

Once the area has been cleaned over, the next step is to cover the skirting with the Osmo Polyx-Oil. For this example we have decided to use the Matt finish.

As Osmo Polyx-Oil is supplied ready to use, there is no need to thin it – all you need to do is stir it well.

Once stirred, apply the oil using a natural bristle brush.

Simply dip your brush into the oil, being careful not to overfill it, then brush evenly along the wood grain.

Any surplus should be removed immediately.



### 3. Apply To The Flooring

With the skirting now coated, the next job is to get to work applying the oil to the oak flooring.

Pour the oil, a couple of centimetres deep, into a flat tray.

Next dab your floor brush into the mixture, being careful not to overfill the brush.



Starting from the furthest point from the door, brush outwards thoroughly and evenly across the grain of the wood.



Continue this process until the whole room is covered.



#### **4. Drying**

Once applied, the first coat should be left to dry for at least 8-10 hours ensuring good ventilation.

The second coat should be applied the same way as before.

This coat will flow over the surface much better than the first and be easier to apply.

Again 8-10 hours should be allowed for drying with good ventilation.



## 5. Cleaning The Brushes

Once you've applied the oil, your brushes can be cleaned using white spirit or benzene-free brush cleaner.

Osmo also provide their own [Brush Cleaner & Thinner](#) which is made specifically for cleaning brushes which have used their oils and waxes.



## 6. Job Done!