INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

ANGLE-ANGLE / UNILIN UNICLIC® INSTALLATION GUIDE

For use with Stately flooring collections featuring Uniclic® locking technology

Gulf Coast Collection HD High Density Core

WHISKEY BARREL Collection

TRANQUIL TILE

Applies to Gulf Coast HD, Whiskey Barrel, and Tranquil Tile Collections

PREPARATION/TOOLS

ROOM PREPARATION

- Pencil and notepad
- Tape measure / folding rule
- Steel square / bevel tool
- Level
- Vacuum

DURING INSTALLATION

- Hard mallet
- Tapping block for locking systems
- Pull bar
- Spacers
- Gloves

FINISHING THE ROOM

- Skirting
- Silicone kit
- Expansion / adapter / end profiles

CUTTING THE PLANKS

- Handsaw / jigsaw / crosscut saw / plunge saw / table saw
- Concave cutter knife

If the planks do not have a pad pre-attached:

- Underlay
- Tape (to fix your underlay)

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THE ROOM

CLEAN SLATE

- Remove skirtings
- Remove all soft flooring (e.g. carpet)
- Make sure the sub-floor is dry and free of any grease, chemical residue, or glue
- Ensure a level and dry surface — smooth out bumps or irregularities
- Vacuum thoroughly to remove all debris and dust

PREPARING THE PLANKS

- Acclimatize the planks in the middle of the room for 48 hours, in the box
- Follow the instructions on the box before beginning installation
- Shuffle planks from different boxes for an even distribution of color and pattern
- Inspect the planks for damage
- Use an underlay if there is no pad attached

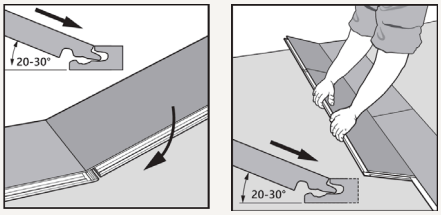
CALCULATE SURFACE AREA

- Width x Length + 5–10% cutting waste
- Make accurate measurements to ensure a smooth installation
- Take notes to avoid mistakes
- Plan the flooring along the longest wall or in the direction of the light for the most pleasing visual appeal
- Divide the room width by the board width
- Distribute the remaining space evenly between the start and end rows — ensure each piece is at least 5 cm wide

INSTALLATION — LOCKING

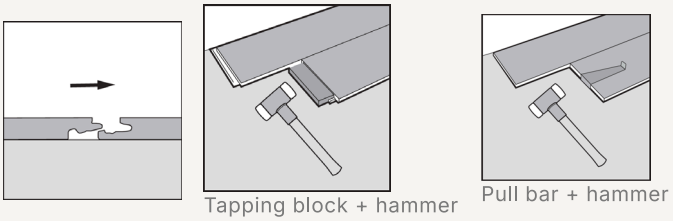
METHOD A — ANGLE

- Start on the short side. Position the plank at an angle of 20–30° to the plank already installed, and angle down.
- Place your hands close to the joint and move the plank up to an angle of 20–30°. Pull the plank toward the installed planks and angle down.



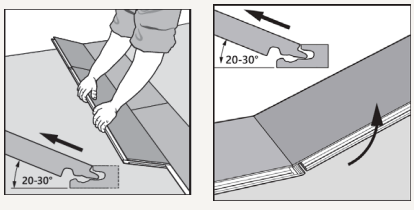
METHOD B — TAP (HARD-TO-REACH AREAS)

- For hard-to-reach planks, angle in one of the sides if possible. Angle down and position the click systems as close as possible.
- Use a tapping block and position it against the locking system. Gently tap the block with a hammer to gradually connect the planks in a few taps.
- For end planks against the wall where angling isn't possible, use a pull bar with the tapping method — position it against the locking system and gently tap with a hammer to connect the planks.



DE-INSTALLING THE PLANKS

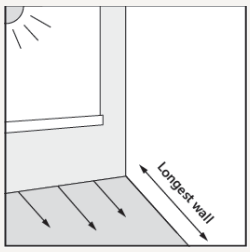
- Start by angling out the complete row on the long side of the plank, lifting up to about 20–30°.
- Angle up the end of the plank to angle out the short side.



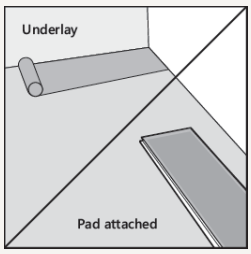
INSTALLATION — PATTERN

DIRECTION OF THE ROWS

- Plan the floor along the longest wall or light direction for the most pleasing visual appeal
- If there is no pad attached to the planks, roll out the underlay in the same direction as the floor



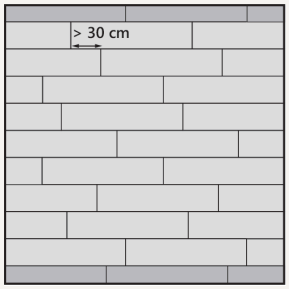
Along the longest wall / light



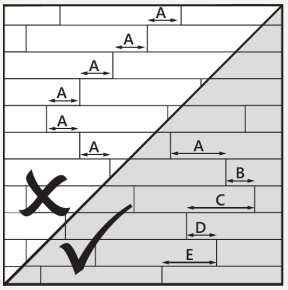
Underlay direction

STAGGERING

- Make sure the planks always stagger by at least 30 cm
- Stagger the planks randomly to avoid a staircase pattern and ensure a strong click connection



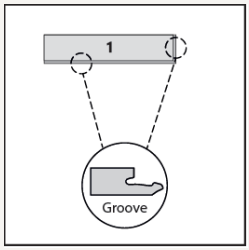
Stagger > 30 cm between rows



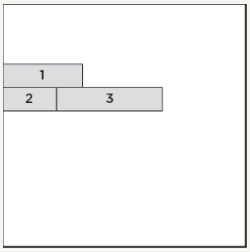
Randomize — avoid a staircase pattern

FIRST PLANKS

- Start by positioning the first plank with the groove sides pointing away from the start walls
- The first plank serves as a base to install planks two and three



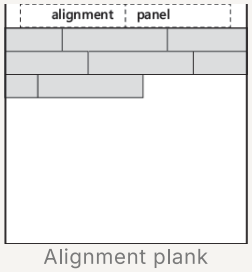
Groove sides face the walls



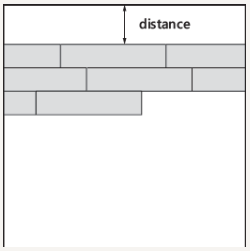
Planks 1, 2 and 3

START POSITION

- **Option 1:** Start by laying the first row at a small distance from the wall
- **Option 2:** Use a few floor planks as a tool to align the first row



Alignment plank



Distance from the wall

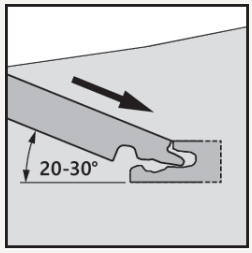
INSTALLATION — FIRST ROWS

UNDERLAY

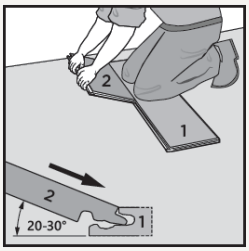
- Check the back of the planks for an attached pad — if present, no underlay is needed
- Lay the underlay parallel to the floor direction during installation
- Start each new row of underlay upon reaching that point in the floor installation

ANGLE IN THE SECOND PLANK

- Place the tongue of the long side of plank 2 into the groove of the long side of plank 1 at 20–30° and angle down
- Kneel on the planks to secure them during installation and keep them in place



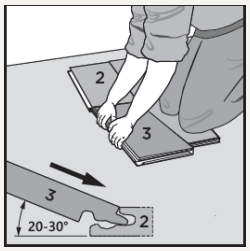
20–30° angle-in



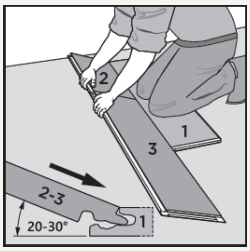
Kneel to secure in place

ANGLE IN THE THIRD PLANK

- Angle the short side of plank 3 into the short side of plank 2 at 20–30° and angle down
- Slide plank 3 toward plank 1; angle the row of planks 2 and 3 up to 20–30°, then angle down to fully connect

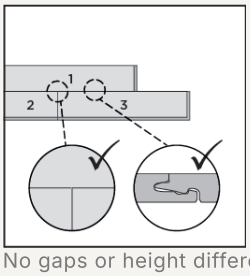


Angle plank 3 into plank 2

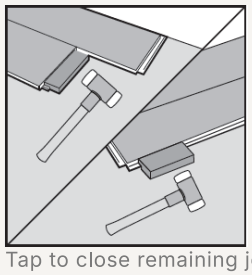


Slide toward plank 1

Mind the gap: after installing a plank, check that all joints are fully connected with no gaps or height differences. Gently tap the tapping block with a hammer to close any remaining joints. Check all planks before and during installation for damage or visible defects.



No gaps or height differences


Tap to close remaining joints

INSTALLATION — CONTINUE & FINISHING

INSTALL ROWS 1–3

- Continue installing the rest of the planks for the first three rows in order
- Move the rows closer to the wall, leaving a distance equal to the width of the start row plus the expansion gaps — the start row should be at least 5 cm wide

MOVE THE ROWS TO THE STARTER WALL

- Install the start row by angling in the planks; use the pull bar and hammer if necessary
- Place spacers to ensure the correct expansion gap
- Check the supplier installation guidelines for correct expansion gaps

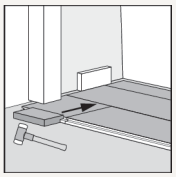
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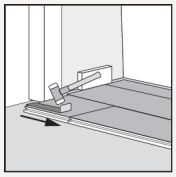
- Tip: use the leftover of the sawed-off plank to start the new row
- Stagger planks randomly with an overlap of at least 30 cm for a strong connection
- Remove the click profile on every side directly next to the wall to allow the required expansion gap

FINISHING

UNDER DOOR-FRAMES

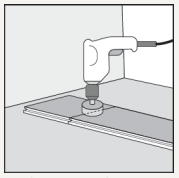
- Install the plank on the long side with a tapping block or pull bar
- Gently tap with a hammer to gradually connect the planks in a few taps
- Undercut door-frames or moldings to allow expansion of the planks

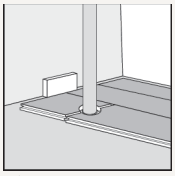

Tapping block under the frame


Tap into place

PIPES

- In rows where the flooring meets a pipe, align the pipe with the short sides of two planks
- Click the planks together on the short side
- Drill a hole centered on the joint between the two planks, sized to the pipe diameter plus 20 mm (3/4")


Drill the pipe hole


Fit the plank around the pipe

ROOM FOR EXPANSION

- The floor must be able to expand and contract with changes in the indoor climate
- Provide expansion joints between different rooms or in large rooms — check the supplier's guidelines for details

FINISHING

- Install skirting on the walls over the expansion gaps to complete the room
- After the floor and expansion profiles are fully installed, remove all spacers from the room(s)

QUESTIONS ABOUT INSTALLATION?

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