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ASK THE INSPECTOR...

Question

We would like to replace our old carpet but don't know whether to go with hardwood, laminate or tile. What are the pros and cons of each one?

Answer

Hardwood flooring looks great and is durable with proper care. Although it is susceptible to scratches, dents and moisture, hardwood floors can be refinished multiple times, often lasting the lifetime of a home. Though initially expensive, wood floors can add to the value of your home. Professional installation is usually recommended, but an experienced do-it-yourselfer may be able to handle the job.

Plastic laminate flooring doesn't look as nice as a hardwood or tile, but it can mimic the look for much less. Laminate floors are durable and resistant to scratches, stains, UV light and dents. However, they are susceptible to moisture damage, so they aren't the best choice for kitchens or bathrooms. Laminate flooring uses floating installation, an easy do-it-yourself option, but it should be carefully installed, as poorly laid flooring detracts from the value of a home.

Tile is often considered as elegant as stone, but it's less expensive and with the right tools, can be self-installed by an experienced do-it-yourselfer. Tile is stylish and relatively durable, but it is also hard and noisy and can be prone to chipping and other signs of wear. Glazed tiles – available in most popular types offer the best durability and easiest maintenance. Ceramic tiles are the most popular, though other types are available.

AUTUMN IS THE BEST TIME TO PLANT GRASS

As summer winds down, heat and drought may have left your grass a little tired, and if you have bare spots in your lawn, now is the time to take action.

Shorter days, cooler nights, and the improved rainfall patterns of late summer and fall are just what new seedlings need to get started. What's more, there are fewer natural weed seeds to compete with new grass planted in fall. For best results:

- * Break up the top inch of soil so seeds have a place to take root.
- * Use a spreader so the seeds are not spread too thickly.
- * Keep the seed moist by light watering several times a day. Continue when new seedlings come up.
- * When the new grass becomes well established, water less frequently and for longer periods.
- * Follow up about six weeks after seeding with a late-fall fertilizer. It thickens new turf and prepares it for winter.



If you have questions about home inspections or home maintenance, Ask the Inspector!

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