Flaxen in a Japandi room

Flaxen, from the Fifth and Main Symbiotic 20 line, is a mid tone vinyl plank with a warm greige undertone (LRV 28, measured from its own picture). Here it is with Modern Gray walls, Greek Villa trim, and Pewter Green as the deep note, chosen by the numbers.









THE PALETTE

THE FLOOR	WALLS	TRIM	DEEP NOTE	WOOD
Flaxen	**Modern Gray**	**Greek Villa**	**Pewter Green**	**A mid brown wood**
LRV 28	Sherwin-Williams SW 7632 LRV 62.5	Sherwin-Williams SW 7551 LRV 84.2	Sherwin-Williams SW 6208 LRV 11.8	Like our Aged Barrel stain sample

Fifth and Main

Flaxen

Fifth and Main Symbiotic 20 · `5M303-00216`

Vinyl plank · 6 in

Price, specs and samples:
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WALLS, TRIM AND CABINETS

WALLS
Modern Gray
Sherwin-Williams SW 7632 · LRV 62.5 · +34 from the floor
A warm white or greige in the same soft family as Flaxen (hue 82° against its 66°).

OR WALLS
Edgecomb Gray
Benjamin Moore HC-173 · LRV 63.1 · +35 from the floor
A warm white or greige in the same soft family as Flaxen (hue 94° against its 66°).

TRIM AND CEILINGS
Greek Villa
Sherwin-Williams SW 7551 · LRV 84.2 · +56 from the floor
56 points over Flaxen in LRV and warm enough (chroma 5.3) to read white, not blue, beside its greige undertone.

THE DEEP NOTE
Pewter Green
Sherwin-Williams SW 6208 · LRV 11.8 · -16 from the floor
Deep and quiet, 16 points darker than Flaxen in LRV, a frame for a greige floor.

Lower cabinets or an island in Pewter Green, uppers and trim in Greek Villa. The floor at LRV 28 sits between the two (12 and 84).

THE FLOOR, MEASURED

LRV	LIGHTNESS L*	UNDERTONE	HUE
28	60	Greige	66°

A warm greige: gray with a little brown in it. LRV is light reflectance value: 0 is black, 100 is white. A wall within 30 points of the floor blurs into it (BS 8300).

Flaxen is lighter than 56 percent of the 1,204 vinyl floors we carry, measured the same way, and warmer than 37 percent of them.

WOOD, RUGS AND METALS

A step darker: a mid brown wood
About 18 points darker than Flaxen in L* (42 against 60), far enough to read as a choice. Like our Aged Barrel stain sample.

A step lighter: a pale, bleached wood
About 12 points lighter than Flaxen in L* (72 against 60). Like our Country White stain sample.

Tone on tone: ivory
5 in chroma, half the warmth of Flaxen (11), and 28 points lighter in L*.

Across the wheel: graphite
Hue 246°, straight across the color wheel from the 66° of Flaxen, softened to balance it.

Grounding: charcoal
A deep note at L* 30, 30 points from the 60 of Flaxen, so a rug keeps its edge.

Matte black
Black works with every undertone; beside Flaxen at LRV 28 it gives the room its outline.

Champagne bronze
A warm metal that agrees with the greige undertone of Flaxen (hue 66°).

Brushed nickel
A soft satin nickel, quieter than chrome, for the greige of Flaxen.

ROOM BY ROOM

- **Living room** Modern Gray walls and Greek Villa trim, a low table in a pale, bleached wood on Flaxen, an ivory rug, one graphite cushion.
- **Kitchen** Greek Villa cabinets, Pewter Green on the island or one wall, matte black pulls, Flaxen underfoot.
- **Bedroom** Edgecomb Gray walls, a low bed in a mid brown wood, ivory linen, champagne bronze in small doses.
- **Entry** A bench in a pale, bleached wood, a charcoal mat on Flaxen, brushed nickel hooks.

WHAT TO AVOID

- Walls at the lightness of Flaxen: Evergreen Fog (Sherwin-Williams SW 9130, LRV 30.4) sits 2 points from its LRV of 28, so wall and floor would blur into one.
- Wood that almost matches Flaxen: a tone like our Silvered Gray sample, 5.1 apart (CIEDE2000), reads as a near miss. Go clearly darker or lighter.
- Stark blue whites everywhere: a greige floor like Flaxen turns muddy beside them. Keep the whites a little warm.

THE ROOM IT SUITS

At LRV 28, Flaxen is a mid tone: it holds its color in a sunny room and hides everyday dust and pet hair better than a very dark or very light floor.

At 6 inches a board, Flaxen lays about 24 boards across a 12 foot room.

Living spaces and bedrooms; ask us about wet rooms.

Wear layer: 20 mil

Finish: ExoGuard+®

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