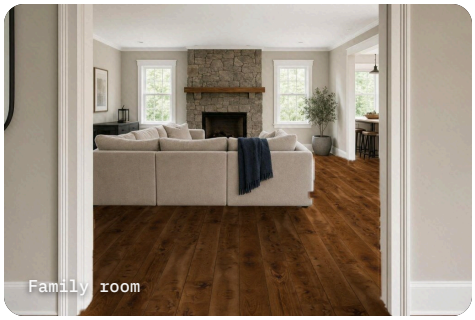
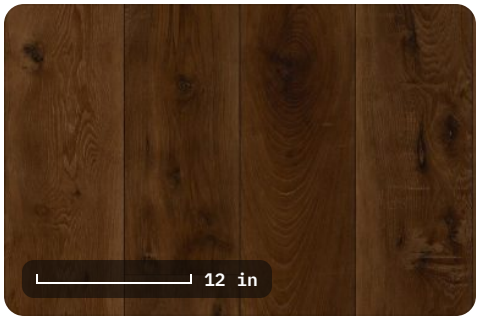
Forest in a dark and moody room

Forest from the Stanton Hawthorne line is a very dark vinyl plank with an amber undertone, measured from its own picture: LRV 3. Here it is with Coventry Gray walls, Swiss Coffee trim, and Upward on the cabinets, chosen by the numbers.









THE PALETTE

THE FLOOR	WALLS	TRIM	CABINETS	WOOD
Forest	**Coventry Gray**	**Swiss Coffee**	**Upward**	**A mid brown wood**
LRV 3	Benjamin Moore HC-169 LRV 48.2	Benjamin Moore OC-45 LRV 81.9	Sherwin-Williams SW 6239 LRV 57.4	Like our Special Walnut stain sample

STANTON

Forest

Stanton Hawthorne · 66452

Waterproof vinyl plank · WPC · 9 in

Price, specs and samples:
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WALLS, TRIM AND CABINETS

WALLS
Coventry Gray
Benjamin Moore HC-169 · LRV 48.2 · +45 from the floor
Its undertone leans green (hue 129°), which quiets the orange in Forest (hue 62°) instead of echoing it.

OR WALLS
Repose Gray
Sherwin-Williams SW 7015 · LRV 58.2 · +55 from the floor
Its undertone leans green (hue 97°), which quiets the orange in Forest (hue 62°) instead of echoing it.

TRIM AND CEILINGS
Swiss Coffee
Benjamin Moore OC-45 · LRV 81.9 · +79 from the floor
79 points over Forest in LRV and warm enough (chroma 5.7) to read white, not blue, beside its amber undertone.

CABINETS
Upward
Sherwin-Williams SW 6239 · LRV 57.4 · +54 from the floor
A light color with some life in it, so cabinets float off Forest (a 54 point step in LRV).

Cabinets in Upward or Swiss Coffee: a dark floor needs light cabinets to float above it.

THE FLOOR, MEASURED

LRV	LIGHTNESS L*	UNDERTONE	HUE
3	21	Amber	62°

An amber undertone, warm and a little orange. LRV is light reflectance value: 0 is black, 100 is white. A wall within 30 points of the floor blurs into it (BS 8300).

Forest is lighter than 1 percent of the 1,197 vinyl floors we carry, measured the same way, and warmer than 92 percent of them.

WOOD, RUGS AND METALS

A step lighter: a mid brown wood
About 16 points lighter than Forest in L* (37 against 21). Like our Special Walnut stain sample.

Tone on tone: taupe
11 in chroma, half the warmth of Forest (24), and 28 points lighter in L*.

Across the wheel: slate blue
Hue 242°, straight across the color wheel from the 62° of Forest, softened to balance it.

Grounding: mushroom
A light note at L* 66, 45 points from the 21 of Forest, so a rug keeps its edge.

Aged brass
A warm metal that agrees with the amber undertone of Forest (hue 62°).

Unlacquered brass
Left unsealed, it darkens with handling to a softer warm tone beside Coventry Gray walls.

Matte black
Black works with every undertone; beside Forest at LRV 3 it gives the room its outline.

ROOM BY ROOM

- **Living room** Coventry Gray walls and Swiss Coffee trim over Forest, velvet in taupe with a slate blue pillow, aged brass lamps on low.
- **Kitchen** Cabinets in Upward so they float off Forest, Swiss Coffee walls and trim, unlacquered brass pulls.
- **Bedroom** Repose Gray walls, taupe bedding, nightstands in a mid brown wood, matte black on the lamps.
- **Entry** A mushroom runner on Forest, Upward on the door, an unlacquered brass mirror.

WHAT TO AVOID

- Walls at the lightness of Forest: Caviar (Sherwin-Williams SW 6990, LRV 3) sits within a point of its LRV of 3, so wall and floor would blur into one.
- Pink or peach beige walls: they pull more orange out of the amber undertone of Forest (hue 62°).

THE ROOM IT SUITS

At LRV 3, Forest is very dark: it is at its best in a big room with good light and warm lamps, and it shows dust, pet hair and fine scratches more than a mid tone.

At 9 inches a board, Forest lays about 16 boards across a 12 foot room, so the room reads open with few seams.

Forest is waterproof, so it belongs in kitchens, baths, mudrooms and basements as well as living spaces.

Core: WPC, a wood plastic composite core

Water: Waterproof (the maker's word)

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