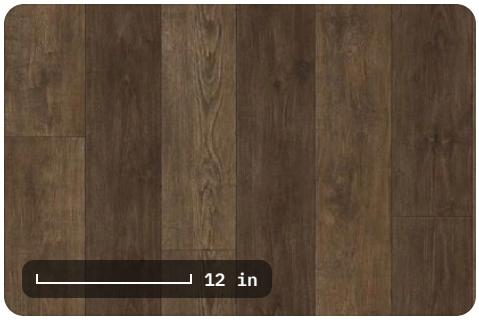
Sweetgum in a dark and moody room

Sweetgum from the Fifth and Main Symbiotic 20 line is a dark vinyl plank with a golden undertone (LRV 8, measured from its own picture). Here it is with Thunder walls, Swiss Coffee trim, and Upward on the cabinets, chosen by the numbers.









THE PALETTE

THE FLOOR	WALLS	TRIM	CABINETS	WOOD
Sweetgum LRV 8	**Thunder** Benjamin Moore AF-685 LRV 47.6	**Swiss Coffee** Benjamin Moore OC-45 LRV 81.9	**Upward** Sherwin-Williams SW 6239 LRV 57.4	**A warm gray brown wood** Like our Warm Gray stain sample

Fifth and Main

Sweetgum

Fifth and Main Symbiotic 20 · 5M303-07008

Vinyl plank · 6 in

Price, specs and samples:
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WALLS, TRIM AND CABINETS

WALLS
Thunder
Benjamin Moore AF-685 · LRV 47.6 · +40 from the floor
A soft neutral with a touch of warmth (hue 92°), so Sweetgum stays golden without turning yellow.

OR WALLS
Repose Gray
Sherwin-Williams SW 7015 · LRV 58.2 · +51 from the floor
A soft neutral with a touch of warmth (hue 97°), so Sweetgum stays golden without turning yellow.

TRIM AND CEILINGS
Swiss Coffee
Benjamin Moore OC-45 · LRV 81.9 · +74 from the floor
74 points over Sweetgum in LRV and warm enough (chroma 5.7) to read white, not blue, beside its golden undertone.

CABINETS
Upward
Sherwin-Williams SW 6239 · LRV 57.4 · +50 from the floor
A light color with some life in it, so cabinets float off Sweetgum (a 50 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
8	33	Golden	69°

A golden undertone, warm without leaning red. LRV is light reflectance value: 0 is black, 100 is white. A wall within 30 points of the floor blurs into it (BS 8300).

Sweetgum is lighter than 6 percent of the 1,206 vinyl floors we carry, measured the same way, and warmer than 55 percent of them.

WOOD, RUGS AND METALS

A step lighter: a warm gray brown wood
About 15 points lighter than Sweetgum in L* (48 against 33). Like our Warm Gray stain sample.

Tone on tone: mushroom
7 in chroma, half the warmth of Sweetgum (15), and 28 points lighter in L*.

Across the wheel: slate blue
Hue 249°, straight across the color wheel from the 69° of Sweetgum, softened to balance it.

Grounding: fog gray
A light note at L* 78, 45 points from the 33 of Sweetgum, so a rug keeps its edge.

Aged brass
A warm metal that agrees with the golden undertone of Sweetgum (hue 69°).

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

Matte black
Black works with every undertone; beside Sweetgum at LRV 8 it gives the room its outline.

ROOM BY ROOM

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

WHAT TO AVOID

- Walls at the lightness of Sweetgum: Urbane Bronze (Sherwin-Williams SW 7048, LRV 8.1) sits within a point of its LRV of 8, so wall and floor would blur into one.
- Wood that almost matches Sweetgum: a tone like our Jacobean sample, 3.2 apart (CIEDE2000), reads as a near miss. Go clearly darker or lighter.
- Walls that lean yellow: yellow on yellow flattens the golden undertone of Sweetgum (hue 69°).

THE ROOM IT SUITS

At LRV 8, Sweetgum is 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 6 inches a board, Sweetgum 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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