Repairing minor surface damage

Step-by step guide to repairing a variety of surface blemishes in parquet:

- Dents
- Small local damage
- Scratches

The problem

Small damage to the parquet often causes trouble during or after the installation and requires a relatively high effort to repair. For these minor blemishes you therefore need practical solutions that are quick, easy and cost-saving, and keep the customer satisfied.

The solution

We offer a comprehensive parquet repair system with soft wax, hard wax, special repair putty and paint pen for all parquet wood types. Minor damage in the parquet surface, such as scratches, cracks, holes, dents, nicked edges, chipping, etc., can be successfully repaired by simple means.

1st type of damage: Small dent in the wood surface

Required materials:

From Hamberger Shop: Hard wax C13, hard wax melter, scraper, Hamberger polishing cloth For varnished surfaces: Spray varnish For oiled surfaces: Oil Balm / clean & green aqua oil

Also needed: White spirit / acetone, chisel

Repair procedure:

- 1 Select two hard wax sticks to match the wood species one lighter and one medium or darker colour, depending on the colour of the wood surface.
- 2 Scrape off the surface finish inside the dent with the chisel and remove it thoroughly.
- 3 Drip wax from the two sticks alternately into the dent with the tip of the hard wax melter. Start with light and match up with darker wax (blending effect) until the colour of the surrounding flooring is achieved. Slightly overfill the dent with the C13 hard wax by max. 2 mm above the floor surface. This makes it easier to level the filled spot afterwards.
- 4 After about 1 minute, scrape off excess hard wax in thin layers with the scraper until the filled spot is level with the surrounding floor surface.
- 5 Remove any wax residue from the surface around the repaired spot using white spirit or acetone and a Hamberger polishing cloth.
- 6 For varnished surfaces, apply spray varnish to the repaired spot; for oiled surfaces, apply Oil Balm / clean & green aqua oil to the repaired spot and buff with a clean Hamberger polishing cloth. In this way the repaired area will take on the gloss of the surrounding flooring.

2nd type of damage: Larger, wider damaged spot in the wood surface. Dent, nick, splintering, etc.

Required materials:

From Hamberger Shop: Repair putty set in different wood colours, soft wax spatula, Hamberger polishing cloth For varnished surfaces: Spray varnish For oiled surfaces: Oil Balm / clean & green aqua oil

Also needed: White spirit / acetone, chisel

Repair procedure:

- 1. Choose the repair putty to match the colour of the wood.
- Before starting the repair make sure that the surface is clean, dry and dust-free.
- Fill the damaged spot with the repair putty.
- Remove excess putty with the supplied spatula.
- Putty residue can be wiped away with a damp cloth.
- Allow to dry for at least 2 hours.
- After the drying time, aftertreatment with varnish for repair putty is recommended (mandatory for laminate flooring).

2. Varnish for repair putty

- Allow the repair putty to dry, then roughen the surface slightly.
- Before starting the repair make sure that the surface is clean, dry and dust-free.
- Shake varnish for special putty well before use.
- Apply the varnish thinly with a brush.
- Allow to dry for at least 2 hours.







3rd type of damage: Scratches with and across the wood grain and reaching into the wood surface.

Required materials:

From Hamberger Shop: Hard wax C 13 and hard wax melter, scraper, Hamberger polishing cloth For varnished surfaces: Spray varnish For oiled surfaces: Oil Balm / clean & green aqua oil

Also needed: White spirit / acetone, chisel

Repair procedure:

- 1 Select two hard wax sticks to match the wood species one lighter and one medium or darker colour, depending on the colour of the wood surface.
- 2 Drip wax from the two sticks alternately into the scratch with the tip of the hard wax melter. Start with light and match up with darker wax (blending effect) until the colour of the surrounding flooring is achieved.
- 3 After about 1 minute, scrape off excess hard wax in thin layers with the scraper until the filled scratch is level with the surrounding floor surface.
 - Attention: Be careful not to damage the surrounding surface finish with the scraper.
- 4 Remove any wax residue from the surface around the repaired scratch using white spirit or acetone and a Hamberger polishing cloth.
- 5 For varnished surfaces, apply spray varnish to the repaired spot; for oiled surfaces, apply Oil Balm / clean & green aqua oil to the repaired spot and buff with a clean Hamberger polishing cloth. In this way the repaired area will take on the gloss of the surrounding flooring. Slight scratches: Paint pen

How to keep your parquet looking beautiful for longer

Oil Balm / clean & green aqua oil provides intensive care for bioTec surfaces. Special floor care product after repair and for intensive care for parquet in high-traffic applications. Oil Balm and Spa Oil Natura are suitable also for surface treatment of sanded, unfinished parquet.

In order to maintain the quality and beauty of your floor, but also for your own personal well being, an indoor climate of approx. 50% - 60% relative air humidity is ideal with a room temperature of approx. 20° C (68°F). To keep the air humidity constant, especially during the heating period, we recommend that you use an electric humidifier. This prevents the floor from drying out excessively.

It is also recommended to use Teflon gliders on chair and table legs (available from the Hamberger Shop at your local dealer) and to place doormats in entrance areas. For additional protection, we recommend the use of polycarbonate mats under armchairs and office chairs (available from the Hamberger Shop at your local dealer).

