

THE TRANSITION

All you need to know to connect two seeming disparate flooring in your home

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pace division through flooring is necessary, as solid walls not only restrict the circulation but also reduce the volume. Transition of flooring widens the scope of experimentation with open plans where different spaces of diversified functionality coexist without any barriers. Material palette of flooring decides the mood of the space. Huge spaces that lack natural light demand dark tones of wooden flooring such as red wood, Brazilian cherry and beech to induce warmth; wherein tiny rooms demand light wood like maple and hickory to reduce the suffocation of volume. Neutral tones of Italian marble work well in swish living rooms and shades of white tiles blend vibrant interiors of children's room. Matte tiles that stand up to the wear and tear are ideal for the kitchen. To further enhance the luxe, brass strips are used to etch patterns that gleam on the floor and nuances of monochromes are laid to add a minimal touch.

With time, the challenges and structural complexities of the process have been resolved through technology.

Such as transition strips that link two different floors and restrict thermal expansion. These evolved from dreary aluminium strips that degrade the essence of flooring and laminate strips that merge with the material of the floor. Versatile transition strips give the freedom to play with the shapes of tiles and evoke fluidity in transition.

Despite challenges, transition flooring is a popular concept and a convenient facet for designers.



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