

## FLOORING & TILLING

Tile flooring is a broad term for any tough flooring cut into tiles, with the gaps between them filled with grout. Tile flooring is frequently made of stone, ceramic, or porcelain (glazed ceramic). Stone tiles are the most natural product with inherent beauty and their strength depends on the type of stone used. Porcelain tiles are generally denser and more durable than non-ceramic tiles, and both are available in a wide range of colors and patterns.

### Types of Tile Flooring

Now you know what tile flooring is, let's look at types of tile flooring. As mentioned above, tile flooring can be made of various materials, including stone, clay, metal, quartz, and terrazzo. Each category of tile flooring has distinct characteristics. Natural stone and ceramic tile flooring are the two most common types. If you've never looked into tiles before, you may be surprised at how many different types there are. Let's look at each of them.

#### 1. Ceramic Flooring

Ceramics is among the most popular types of tile flooring found in homes because of its versatility. It is made from clay that is chopped down, prepared, and then molded. Ceramic tile is ideal for any room in the house and can be used as a backsplash tile, bathroom tile, and shower floor tile.

#### 2. Glass Tiles

Glass tiles add a clean, minimalistic look to any project. In addition, glass has high stain-resistance properties, making it a good fit for people with children. Red wine and other acidic foods such as vinegar and lemon are easily removed without leaving any permanent stains.

#### 3. Limestone Tile

One example of natural stone tiles is limestone tiles. Limestone is the way to go if you want a classic look crammed with natural tones, variations, and shades. It is soft and durable, making it simple to shape and trim for different patterns and placements.

#### 4. Porcelain Tile Flooring

Porcelain tile flooring is considered superior to ceramic tiles. It is an all-purpose tile available in various colors, designs, and styles, allowing for flexibility when designing a space. The appeal of porcelain tiles stems from their ability to mimic virtually any surface from brick to natural stone or wood and the fact that they require little to no maintenance.

#### 5. Subway Tiles

You may be wondering why subway tiles are called subway tiles. It is because they first appeared in the New York subway stations. They were invented in 1904 in pursuit of a decor that is both low-maintenance and vibrant in color, and unique in the installation pattern, especially in heavy traffic areas. Subway tiles are available in many of the tile materials used and is differentiated by the rectangular shape.