



## BE FLOORED

**THE PLACE:** Nestled in the west end, **Gaylord Hardwood Flooring** boasts a spectacular showroom, complete with resident puppy Tia. This father-and-son-owned business started in 1985 in Tweed and opened in Ottawa on January 25 this year.

**ESPECIALLY FOR YOU:** No matter what you are looking for, this company can achieve your dream-flooring look. Greg Gaylord says the company has around 400,000 combinations that can include wood, colour, gloss, width, length and grade. "We're a small family manufacturer so we do the things that big companies don't," says Greg. "We do custom colours and we can pretty well make anything. Anywhere else you go it's a store buying it from a manufacturer. When you buy from us, you buy straight from the manufacturer. You can go to the plant, you can bring samples of cabinets and we can match them. We do a lot of really cool stuff. We do flooring up to 10 inches wide and 12 feet long." As a small business, they focus more on quality than on mass production.

**WHAT'S ON TREND:** "Right now we are doing a lot of grey colours. They are really popular," says Greg. "We are doing a lot of rustic stuff too. We seem to be doing a lot where it's a rustic modern look."



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One house Greg worked on mixed the two, choosing a funky grey colour with a rustic finish. Gaylord can also help you with your getaway home. "A lot of people at this time of year get excited to do their cottages, so we are getting into the beachy bleached white floors."

**THE PERSONAL TOUCH:** Customers can be involved with the process. Not only are they getting a beautiful custom floor, but Gaylord is able to video-record the floor being made and send it to you for a keepsake.

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