



Acoustic collection

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Design	Colour number	Colour name	NCS	LRV Y (BS8493)	DSDC Rating*	DSDC Comments*
Marmoleum Acoustic	33139	lava	NCS S 8000-N	9	1b	
	33048	graphite	NCS S 7502-Y	14	2	Rated 2 as pattern quite strong
	33032	mist grey	NCS S 3005-G80Y	42	2	
	33038	caribbean	NCS S 1515-Y20R	55	2	
	33252	sparrow	NCS S 4010-Y10R	29	1b	
	33055	fresco blue	NCS S 4020-B	23	1b	
Marmoleum Decibel	386035	silver shadow	S 2005-G70Y	48	1b	
	262135	dove grey	S 3005-G50Y	36	1b	
	314635	serene grey	S 4502-Y	27	1b	
	387235	volcanic ash	S 7500-N	10	1b	
	370835	fossil	S 4005-Y20R	34	2	Rated 2 as pattern more apparent
	372335	nebula	S 6500-N	17	2	
	372435	orbit	S 3502-Y	37	2	
	370635	beton	S 5005-G80Y	28	1b	Rated 1b due to slight pattern
	324635	shrike	S 6005-Y20R	21	1b	
	387435	walnut	S 7010-Y50R	11	1b	
	312035	rosato	S 2010-Y20R	51	1b	
	375735	pluto	S 2010-G70Y	51	1b	"Rated 1b as mottled effect is subtle and consistent"
	375835	shale	S 3010-G90Y	41	1b	
	386135	arabian pearl	S 2010-Y20R	50	1b	
	388935	cinder	S 3502-Y	30	1b	
	525635	silt stone	S 3010-Y30R	44	1b	Rated 1b due to relatively subtle striations looking similar to wood markings.
	359035	meringue	S 2005-Y40R	51	2	Rated 2 due to the speckles contrasting more strongly with the background.
	313635	concrete	S 3005-G80Y	47	1b	Rated 1b as mottled effect is consistent with low contrast between the colours which make up the pattern.
	358435	white chocolate	S 2010-Y	60	X	Rated unsuitable due to flecks
	521735	withered prairie	S 5010-Y30R	25	1b	
	359235	salted caramel	S 3020-Y40R	32	1b	Rated 1b due to there being some contrasting speckles which contrast with the background
	359335	matcha	S 4010-G70Y	31	1b	
	340535	granada	S 5005-Y20R	28	X	Rated unsuitable as tri colour not recommended
	335535	rosemary green	S 5010-G70Y	21	1a	Rated 1a as totally plain
	337035	terracotta	S 5030-Y40R	18	1a	
	342035	surprising storm	S 4502-Y	31	1a	
	276735	rust	S 4040-Y50R	19	2	Rated 2 as pattern quite strong
	304835	graphite	S 7502-Y	14	2	

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	2016-074 FORBO FLOORING	
	DSDC RATING KEY	
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*RATING	*RATING DESCRIPTION	
Class 1a	<p>Flooring within this rating is plain and can be used indiscriminately. That said, bear in mind the need to contrast flooring and walls, skirtings, doors/frames, furniture and sanitary ware.</p> <p>Contrast is the key word.</p> <p>We recommend a minimum contrast of 30 units LRV (Light Reflectance Value) between the critical surfaces mentioned above.</p>	
Class 1b	<p>Flooring within this rating is semi-plain (minimal texture or fleck/pattern, wood effect with no knots) and in general, can be used throughout.</p> <p>Natural patterns such as timber and stone may be used in most areas due to their familiarity but with a degree of caution.</p> <p>Bear in mind minimum contrast of 30 units LRV (Light Reflectance Value) between the critical surfaces mentioned above.</p>	
Class 2	<p>Flooring within this rating has some pattern and needs to be used with caution. The natural patterns such as timber and stone in this range are more figured/patinated and although still familiar they need to be used with more caution than the above range.</p> <p>Bear in mind minimum contrast of 30 units LRV (Light Reflectance Value) between the critical surfaces mentioned above.</p>	

For an environment to be considered 'dementia-inclusive' or 'dementia-friendly', careful consideration must be given to the entire specification, not just the flooring.

As with many design features, individual needs and preferences should also be considered. What is fine for one person, may not be the case for another.

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