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Omniscient - November 28, 2024, 12:16 pm

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Maskin - November 28, 2024, 12:22 pm

Good job. Looks good! I also changed the kitchen floor a few months ago, but I didn't do it all by myself. Paid attention and I should be able to do it myself next time, although different floors requires different techniques.

Prepper - November 28, 2024, 12:22 pm

Not bad at all for the first time doing it. Maybe buy some pads for the table though so it doesn't scratch the floor when moved.

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I've done laminate in a few rooms just fine.

Regulus - November 28, 2024, 12:24 pm

Holy fuck that floor is so insanely clean and cool. Love the look of the cracks as well!
Amazing work!

Charlie Sheen - November 28, 2024, 12:28 pm

Amazing job man! That came out great!

Which room is next on your list to renovate?

RangoWorld - November 28, 2024, 12:33 pm

Nice stuff. The tile color is beautiful. Suits the room even better. You choose the tile too?

Omniscient - November 28, 2024, 1:10 pm

(Nov 28, 2024 01:23 PM)m0hx Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) btw I love the paint color on the wall. It looks Christmassy which color code / hex / name is that? and did you paint it also yourself?I did do the paint job years ago. If I find the can I'll send you a PM with the code.

(Nov 28, 2024 01:28 PM)Charlie Sheen Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Which room is next on your list to renovate?
The room next to it. But I'm NOT doing tile again. Gonna do vinyl tiles instead. No grout or mortar work. So much easier to lay down. The wife wants a look that's similar. Maybe something like this...

<https://www.lowes.com/pd/Lucida-USA-Nero-Marquina-Black-Marble-Look-22-mil-x-12-in-W-x-24-in-L-Waterproof-Interlocking-Luxury-Vinyl-Tile-Flooring-16-sq-ft-Carton/5015428707>

(Nov 28, 2024 01:33 PM)RangoWorld Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Nice stuff. The tile color is beautiful. Suits the room even better. You choose the tile too?
The wife and I chose the tile together. We both loved it.

DNA - November 28, 2024, 1:16 pm

\$800?!

Looks stunning and for the price, definitely can't go wrong there.

Scrolling through the pictures on my phone was kind of amusing though, seeing some old flooring getting torn up and replaced with something grandeur, there's just a full montage feeling right there haha.

Definitely captured the changes well.

esimbuy.org - November 28, 2024, 2:58 pm

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Omniscient - November 28, 2024, 3:06 pm

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I'd say it was 50+ hours of labor that's including running around time, all the prep work, cleaning, and so forth.

LumpyTurds - November 28, 2024, 3:12 pm

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jcole - November 28, 2024, 3:14 pm

Overall the project looks really nice, and I like the appearance of the tile. It looks like Nero Marquina Black Marble. I think the transition in to your already existing tile is a big difference in color. Have you ever considered redoing the existing tile you have with laminate flooring?

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We didn't. 20 years of yuck from kids and cats...we did have it cleaned a couple times, it's just never the same. Not a fan of carpet personally. If it was up to me. I'd have cement floors with epoxy in my entire home.

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I've got a dog, so I know all about the crusty carpet haha.

Wood flooring has always been a favorite of mine. Tile seems like it works pretty good too. May have to do some renovations of my own this winter.

DemoTester - November 28, 2024, 5:04 pm

Looks great. Looks very well done and i love the tiles

Chrome - November 28, 2024, 7:34 pm

(Nov 28, 2024 01:16 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Snip

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I like it, looks clean. Massive improvement.

Zher0 - November 28, 2024, 8:26 pm

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Wow, it looks really good. I'm surprised it only cost \$800! Nice. Do you know how much hardwood would have been for that space?

M2K - November 29, 2024, 1:57 am

[Omniscient](#) thats looking amazing dude, great job! pretty good craftsmanship too

Miles Teller - November 29, 2024, 2:28 am

Doesn't look bad at all, good job! Crazy that it only cost \$800, probably atleast that if not more in labor if you didn't do it yourself

Jamika - November 29, 2024, 3:45 am

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DashPHP - November 29, 2024, 3:52 am

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Omniscient - November 29, 2024, 11:15 am

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It's only a 12x12 (feet) room. My home is 2800 sqft. If I was to do the whole house would probably be \$10k worth of tile (\$3 sqft per tile plus overage).

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You use mortar. You get the dry bags and mix with water to the right consistency and lay it down. You can buy some pre-mixed stuff, but I don't recommend that. I still have a couple times left and 1/4 bag of mortar in case I think of some way to use it.

N - November 29, 2024, 12:06 pm

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Buy me an award its on sale rn

Omniscient - November 29, 2024, 12:50 pm

(Nov 29, 2024 01:12 PM)N Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Naw he lowkey a broke boi.
I keep telling people that but they insist I'm rich. Certainly doesn't feel that way to me.

I could have easily paid someone to do the job though, I'm just cheap. And the 2 weeks to do the job isn't exactly fast but I wasn't trying to do it in 2 days. I was trying to do it correctly. And this was my very first time doing tile so there was a learning process, watching videos on each stage of the process. Going to the stores multiple times to buy the equipment and materials needed. If I had a second shot at this, could maybe do it in under a week. At 54, I also don't have unlimited energy and my body breaks down faster and takes longer to heal. Some of the 5-6 hours of labor days really kicked my ass. I'm a keyboard worker, I don't do physical labor.

You can be a dick about it but all my family and friends are highly impressed that I not only took this on, but ultimately pulled it off. More than a few say that it looks done professionally. To achieve that, I took my time. There were no shortcuts, actually, did things the hard way. I don't ever want to do tile again. Next floor in the house I'm doing vinyl. But I did something most dudes are afraid of doing and I'm pleased with myself for it.

MFUK - November 29, 2024, 5:02 pm

Yeah screw that carpeting that floor looks fire now

markou2255 - January 12, 2025, 3:37 pm

omniscient huge bravos