NORTH AMERICAN CHERRY

PREMIUM RUSTIC GRADE



GRADES	Poor		Avg.		Good
MACHINING	@	@	@	@	
NAILING		>	@	<i>6</i>	
SCREWING			@	@	
GLUING	@		@	@	
FINISHING	@			@	@



FRONT VIEW OF BOARDS

GENERAL GRADE RULES

Character marked hardwoods shall admit any kind, number or distribution of the following characteristics incident to tree growth; heartwood, sapwood, knots, burls, swirls or other fiber irregularities, bird pecks, holes or grooves, knots not exceeding 3" in diameter and color streaks or spots, and light stain, but the cuttings shall not admit decay, loose knots, excessive pith, shake, or split.

- Minimum 75% of each board usable in its full width
- Widths: 3½" 5½" (89mm–140mm) and 5½" 8½" (140mm–216mm)
- Lengths: 4'-12' (1220mm-3660mm) heavy to 7'-8' (2135mm-2440mm)
- Knot size limitation 3" (76mm)
- Stain allowed one face
- Open knots or holes allowed up to 1" (25mm) in diameter
- Minimum full width x 2' (610mm) cutting size
- The reverse side of each cutting shall be as defined as Sound Cuttings, and will not allow holes and open knots larger than 1" (25mm) in diameter.
- Wane: 1" width wane in total aggregate from both sides of the board in cuttings. Total wane less than ½ length of the board in cuttings.
- Board Ends: within 1'(305mm) of either end of board piece must be minimum 75% of full width of board, or be trimmed back.

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The heartwood of cherry varies from rich red to reddish brown and will darken with age and on exposure to light. In contrast, the sapwood is creamy white. The wood has a fine uniform, straight grain, satiny, smooth texture, and may naturally contain brown pith flecks and small gum pockets.

WORKING PROPERTIES

Cherry is easy to machine, nails and glues well and when sanded and stained, it produces an excellent smooth finish. It dries fairly quickly with moderately high shrinkage, but is dimensionally stable after kiln-drying.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

The wood is of medium density with good bending properties, it has low stiffness and medium strength and shock resistance.

MAIN USES

Fine furniture and cabinet making, mouldings and millwork, kitchen cabinets, paneling, flooring, doors, boat interiors, musical instruments, turnings and carvings.





AVAILABLE THICKNESSES

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