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BEECH



The beech wood is currently valued by its fine and uniform grain, as well as its clear color, which is slightly pink. It continues to be widely used in mass production furniture, parquets and wooden floors, because it is consistent, economic and very easy to work with. Many times it is painted or dyed with a good finish. The ligneous rays showed on sensitive spots on the dark parts cut in four and in cost, blotters have an unusual aspect.

Type: hardwoods of the temperate zone

Other names: English Beech

Alternatives: Yellow birch (Birch)/(*BETULA alleghaniensis*), Plantain of London (*Platanus acerifolia*), poplar tree (*Populus species*), Japanese oak (*Quercus mongolica*)

Origin: Europe

Color: Light brown with a pink tinge

Texture: Consistent with closed pore; very uniform when sanded

Wood grain: straight and free from defects

Hardness: Hard

Weight: moderately heavy (720 kg/m³)

Resistance: Very durable; good for molding and steam

Drying and stability: It is more shrinkable than many wood species in the temperate zone, both in green as in the workshop; it needs to be well seasoned. The drying is quick. It is not used in the production of wide panels.

Degree of waste: Low

Width of the parts: Good

The thickness of the parts: Good with available thick pieces

Durability: needs to be treated with preservatives for outdoor use.

Application: Wood used for furniture and especially in the manufacture of chairs