TIMBERLANE

PREMIUM WOOD

Species Comparison Guide

CHOOSE THE WOOD SPECIES THAT IS RIGHT FOR YOU

RECOMMENDED

NEMESU MAHOGANY

Attractive, straight-grain lumber that boasts an attractive dark brown to reddish-brown range in color. It has excellent treatability when accepting both stain and paint finishes. Its abundant availability, combined with a considerable amount of workability, makes this wood species a clear choice as our highly recommended premium wood material. Timberlane Nemesu Mahogany shutters are indeed for those who will not settle for anything less than exceptional quality.

- One of the most sought-after wood species
- Ideal shutter material for its superb attractiveness
- Exceptional high strength and density
- Kiln-dried to reduce moisture and expansion and density

SPECIALTY

WESTERN RED CEDAR

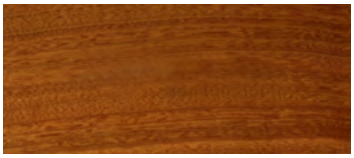
Beautiful, fine-grained wood that has natural tannins to help preserve its character, quality, and long-lasting durability. Every piece of Western Red Cedar is naturally resistant to decay, insects, and weather, and is hand-selected by our experienced artisans. For these reasons, its popularity remains steadfast.

- Naturally resistant to decay, insects & weather
- Beautiful fine-grained wood
- Kiln-dried to reduce moisture and expansion

SPANISH CEDAR

Also known as cigar box cedar, Spanish Cedar is a fine hardwood. It has similar characteristics to Western Red Cedar but with its own enduring charm. Naturally resistant to decay, Spanish Cedar is also known for its durability. Unlike Western Red Cedar, this type of wood has a more even-colored grain, which is preferable for staining or clear natural finishes.

- Naturally resistant to decay
- Even colored grain preferable for staining or clear, natural finishes
- Kiln-dried to reduce moisture and expansion

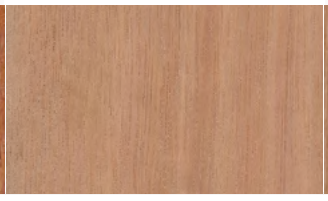


SAPELE MAHOGANY

Delivers a dramatic impact. It is a luxurious wood with a straight, open, and attractive grain that looks beautiful either stained or with a clear, natural finish. Sapele Mahogany embodies excellent strength and water resistance, making it a great choice in shutter material.

- Interlocking grain produces light & dark ribbon stripes throughout
- Natural luster & depth, further enhanced with stain and clear coating
- Kiln-dried to reduce moisture and expansion

A CLOSER LOOK AT PREMIUM WOODS

	NEMESU MAHOGANY	WESTERN RED CEDAR	SPANISH CEDAR	SAPELE MAHOGANY
COLOR	Dark reddish hardwood	Reddish to pinkish brown softwood	Light pinkish to reddish brown hardwood	Dark reddish brown hardwood
STAINING	Stains well	Stains well	Stains well	Stains well
GROWTH AREA	Southeast Asia	Pacific Northwest	Central/South America and the Caribbean	Tropical Africa
SUITABLE FOR EXTERIOR USE	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
ALSO KNOWN AS	Meranti, Dark Red Meranti, or Shorea	Thuja Plicata	Cedrela Odorata, Cedro	Sapelli
COMMON USES	Exterior construction including siding, stairs, doors, and boat building	Roof shingles and shakes, exterior finishings, utility poles, fence posts, piling, paper pulp, and various types of containers	Cabinetry, fine furniture, musical instruments, boat building, cigar boxes	Furniture, cabinetry, decorative veneers, plywood, flooring, paneling
DURABILITY	Resistant to termites	Resistant to termites	Resistant to termites	Moderate termite resistance
GRAIN	Interlocked grain, moderately coarse texture	Straight grain & medium to coarse texture	Straight or shallow interlocked	Interlocked and sometimes wavy
SMELL	No characteristic odor	Cedar-like aroma: sweet, pleasant smell	Distinctive cedar-like aroma	Cedar-like aroma
BENDING STRENGTH (DRY)	17.761 psi	7,500 psi	10,260 psi	15,930 psi
AVERAGE WEIGHT (DRY)	49 lbs./ft^3	23 lbs./ft^3	29 lbs./ft^3	42 lbs./ft^3
RADIAL SHRINKAGE	4.0%	2.4%	4.1%	4.8%
GRAIN APPEARANCE				

All wood is a product of nature, and therefore, present natural variations in grain and coloring. These unique traits typically emerge from the weather conditions and soil during the wood's development and create the distinctive grains and mineral streaks, which add to the overall attractiveness. Stains will enhance the omnipresent beauty of each piece of wood, which means you will see inherent differences between shutters, and sometimes on the same shutter. These variations are not considered a defect or reason for replacement, but rather, coloring differences, mineral streaks and unusual graining, are widely considered as characteristic of natural wood and part of its overall appeal.