

General Guidelines: Finishing



Oil based stains: 1-2 coats as desired. Dries slower than oak due to density. Let stand with stain applied longer than normal. When desired results have been achieved wipe off excess.

Wood hardener: Used when stabilization is required in vulnerable areas. 1-2 coats pending requirement (light sand after each coat.) Improves water resistance.

Polyurethane coating: 1-2 coats (light sand after first coat, before second)

Wood Fill: Used when required

Water based stains: Tend to raise the grain on the wood, a fine sanding after application may be required. Not recommended.

Catalyzed lacquer: for a high gloss finish and moisture resistance. After 400 grit sand, 3-4 coats for a very fine finish.

Walnut oil: for a natural look, 2 coats then paste wax

Epoxy: Works well

Refinishing: Can be sanded and refinished at any point, it's wood after all.