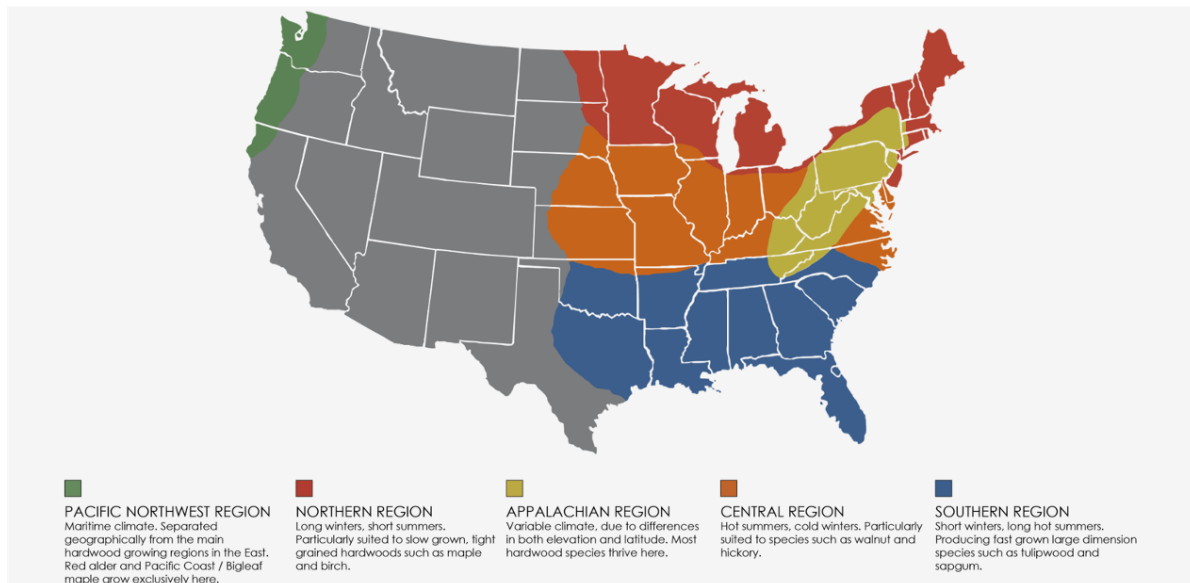


The Effects of Growing Regions on Lumber Quality



Pacific Northwest Region: Maritime climate that produces unique species such as Red Alder and pacific coast maple.

Northern Region: Long winters and short summers produce trees with tight grains and slow growth patterns and characteristics such as Maple and Birch.

Appalachian Region: Excellent growing conditions due to soil, climate and rainfall produce excellent hardwood species.

Central Region: Hot summers and cold winters produce trees such as Walnut and Hickory.

Southern Region: Short winters and long, hot summers produce fast growing trees that have a lighter color and wider grain patterns.

Northern Red Oak vs Southern Red Oak

Northern Red Oak has fewer native species variants and has tighter growth rings, better color consistency and better characteristics.

Southern Red Oak has a wider color variant and fewer characteristics.

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