

## Wheat Red Oak Lumber



Wheat Red Oak is a color sort that removes many of the pink and red color hues from traditional red oak, giving it a more consistent caramel color. This allows for consistent finishing and less time sorting.

### DISTRIBUTION

Widespread throughout North America and is the most abundant species group growing in the Eastern hardwood forests. Red oaks grow more abundantly than white oaks.

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The blond sapwood of wheat red oak has a light brown heartwood. The wood is similar in general appearance to white oak, but with a slightly less-pronounced figure due to the smaller rays. The wood is mostly straight-grained, with a coarse texture.

### WORKING PROPERTIES

It machines well. Pre-boring is recommended for nailing and screwing. It can be stained to a golden finish, with a wide range of finish tones. Responds well to steam bending, easy to work with hand tools and glues, stains and finishes extremely well.

### PLAIN SLICED/PLAIN SAWN

This cut gives a classic cathedral grain pattern and can also result in a wavy, wild grain pattern.

### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Red oak is hard and heavy, with medium-bending strength, stiffness and high-crushing strength.

### MAIN USES

Custom cabinetry, furniture, interior trim, doors and flooring.

Red Oak is in stock at all Aetna locations.

Wheat Red Oak is in stock at our Maywood, IL and White Bear Lake, MN locations.

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