

NATURAL COLOR VARIATIONS TYPICAL WITH CLEAR FINISH



Red Oak      White Oak      Birch      Cherry      Mahogany

Natural veneers, even within the same specie, vary in color and grain pattern from log to log. In fact, they will vary within the same log to some degree. When a clear natural finish (no stain) is specified, the finisher has no control over natural color variations. Although these natural variations are very subtle in unfinished veneer, they are accentuated by the application of clear finish. Many designers seek this natural color variation while others prefer to obtain a more uniform color range.

The designer has two options when pursuing color uniformity with hardwood veneers. The first is to designate a “select” grade veneer that is inspected and sorted for color. This option is commonly considered and applied to birch, maple and ash veneers. While applicable to these popular species, it is precluded in others due to natural uniformity or limited availability.

The second and by far the most common option is through the use of stain. The use of stain allows the finisher a method by which the color variation can be minimized and controlled within a predetermined range.

Once color has been selected, a physical sample will be submitted on the species and cut specified. If a broad color arrange is inevitable in the opinion of the woodworker, a 2-piece sample representing the maximum range of color variation may be submitted for color approval.

**FIELD FINISHING**

We have no stronger recommendation than to specify factory finishing. More dissatisfaction stems from the result of inconsistent or improper field finishing techniques than any other cause! The responsibility for the final preparation, application and appearance of the finish is assumed by those who apply it.

The Oshkosh Door Company warranty does not cover the appearance of field finished doors, nor damage or defect caused by failing to comply with proper field finishing preparation or techniques.



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## STANDARD COLORS AND VENEER CHARACTERISTICS

Factory finishes are applied under optimum conditions in a controlled environment. Oshkosh Door Company utilizes a fully automated ultra-violet cure finishing line. Each door receives stain, two sealer coats, precise final sanding, and two topcoats with UV curing between each step.

These graphic color references are intended for use as an aid in selecting a stain color. They do not supersede the submission of physical samples for final color approval. When other stain colors have already been selected, or the needs to match existing colors arise, the Oshkosh Door Company finishing department has the capability to match most color requirements. Graphics and physical veneer samples do not represent all the natural grain variations and other characteristics possible in the species shown. Physical veneer samples are intended to be “representative of

the specie”. Variations in grain characteristics on doors are far too numerous to represent all-inclusively in samples. For complete individual specie characteristics and allowances please refer to the Quality Standards referenced by the specification.

Color number 500 is a natural finish without stain. Natural color variations may occur within many species. See our section on Natural Color Variations.

Approval procedures for color compliance adhere to the standards set by the AWI and WDMA quality standards.



500 600-99 600-100 600-101 **RED OAK** 600-102 600-103 600-104 600-105 600-106



500 600-99 600-100 **NATURAL BIRCH** 600-101 600-102 600-103 600-104 600-105 600-106



500 600-99 600-100 **WHITE MAPLE** 600-101 600-102 600-103 600-104 600-105 600-106



500 600-99 600-100 **WHITE BIRCH** 600-101 600-102 600-103 600-104 600-105 600-106



500 600-99 600-100 **CHERRY** 600-101 600-102 600-103 600-104 600-105 600-106