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Things you should know when purchasing veneer sheets



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Do not assume the veneer you order will match your sample

Veneer samples are representative of the same species and quality; however they won't necessarily match our current inventory due to wood variation from one tree to another.

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Veneer within the same wood species will vary in grain and color

Wood is a natural material, with variation in color, texture and figure. Some species are more uniform than others, but most will have some color variation. To ensure better color consistency, ask for veneer selected from the same log.

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Understand basic veneer terminology

In discussing veneer, you will often hear and read words and phrases that are unique to the veneer industry. You will also have to use some common terms that take on special meaning when ordering your product. Using proper terms will help eliminate mistakes and costly time delays.

For veneer terminology, please visit our Website at www.cedan.com

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Choosing the right veneer makes a difference

Large projects require a lot of matching veneer. To ensure even greater uniformity in appearance, choose a wood species that produces large sequences. This enables you to get maximum continuity of grain from one single log. Just remember that large projects normally require large sequences while small projects are less critical.

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Buy veneer of the same sheet size

In order to achieve a good match and a look similar to that you require, it may be in your best interest to get all sheets of the same size and species. This will ensure all veneer is similar. You may have to spend a few extra dollars but the end results will be well worth it.

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Use premium veneer on high visibility areas

The project can demand different emphasis and still create a very unique outcome. Areas such as shelves, back, insides and undersides of cabinets and furniture don't require premium veneer. Put your money on high visibility areas.

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Get enough veneer to complete your project

As a precaution, you will allow extra sheets of veneer just in case something was miscalculated or for pleasing visual effects. Otherwise, it could be difficult to re-order more veneer from the same lot or that matches what you already have even after a few days.

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Purchase with a quality backer

Professionals are fully aware that using the correct backing material is absolutely necessary. Many factors have to be considered when choosing backings such as the adhesive for bonding, the substrate you use and the stability and durability required for your project.

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Use the right adhesive and application method

There are a number of ways to apply wood veneer to a substrate. PVA or Urea formaldehyde glues have several qualities that make them superior to all other glues. Good results can also be achieved with contact cement. However, always follow the adhesive manufacturer application instruction.

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Give as many details as possible when ordering

If you want to be completely satisfied with your order, provide as many details as possible such as quality, color, sequence matching, measurements, types of cuts, etc. Incomplete or incorrect details may cause a delay in processing your order and **may result in receiving incorrect material for the job.**

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Veneered panels stability

Balancing the panel with a backer sheet is critical in determining dimensional stability and the structural performances. Even small veneered lay-ups require back-veneering to avoid warping. Use the same veneer if both sides are visible or a less expensive backer veneer for the back side.

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Educate your customers

As an expert, you will be gaining your customers' trust because you will guide them into making smarter decisions. You will educate your customers with various wood veneer products and their uses; you will take them through the features, help them with the selection and explain the benefits. This will result in a more satisfied customer.

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Matching existing veneer

Although no matching is perfect, matching existing veneer can yield astonishingly good results. Using a sample from the existing piece or from a good digital or color photograph will also get you close match. Matching is an art and every effort should be made to match the grain pattern, color and finish to that of the existing veneer.

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Inform yourself

Working with veneers can be somewhat technical and typically requires specialized knowledge for successful project results. We at Cedan offer guidance, basic techniques information, explain proper ways of tackling your desired projects, provide safety tips and what tools to use for certain procedures. Don't be afraid to ask questions. Call one of our experts to get the basics under your belt!