

American Oak

Botanical Name: Quercas Rubra

A light to medium brown heartwood with slight pink undertones and sapwood in white to light brown tones. The grain is straight but with a coarse, uneven texture and large pores.

It is rated as non-durable and can stain when in contact with water, particularly the porous growth ring areas.

Colour Variation



When specifying timber products, it's important to know that timber naturally varies in colour leading to slight differences in hue.

Typical Characteristics









Origin	North America
Species Type	Hardwood
Sustainability	FSC certified only on request
Availability	Readily available
Durability	Above ground - Class 3
Hardness	Janka 5.73kN
Density (dry)	730kg/m³
Movement	High tangential 6.6% (shrinkage across the board width)
Lyctid Susceptibility	Susceptible
Termite Resistance	Not resistant
Fire	Satisfies BCA C1.10a Group 3
Lengths	Average length 2.0m - 2.2m (this can vary depending on availability)
Typical Applications	Internal cladding/battens, and sheltered exteriors.

Plain Sawn



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Cut

REFERENCES: Wood Solutions (www.woodsolutions.com.au); Australian Standards AS5604-2005; Wood in Australia by Keith R. Bootle 2002 ISBN 0 07 451047 9.; Australian Standards AS 3959-2009

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^{*}Colours shown above are a representative only.

Timber Grading



At Sculptform, we adhere to the Australian standard AS 2796.2-2006 when grading our timber. These grades primarily consider aesthetic attributes like knots and gum veins. To ensure a harmonious blend of the timber's natural appeal and uniformity across the project, we maintain a strict ratio in each order: a minimum of 2/3 select grade and 1/3 standard grade, which we refer to as 'Natural Select'. Below, we outline the acceptable characteristics of each grade for clarity.

Select Grade

Select Grade timber offers the cleanest appearance with minimal visual features, foregoing some of the timber's natural variation. Your Sculptform order will include at least two-thirds of Select Grade timber.







Gum Veins of less than 250mm in length and 2mm in width are acceptable.

Tight Knots of less than 15mm in width are acceptable.







Borer Holes are acceptable provided there are less than 10 holes per 900mm depending on width.

Checking is acceptable provided individual length does not exceed 250mm and width does not exceed 1mm.

Standard Grade

Standard Grade timber provides a more natural aesthetic with larger and more frequent features, enhancing the timber's character and emphasizing its natural look and feel. Your Sculptform order will include a maximum of one-third Standard Grade timber.







Gum Veins of less than 1m in length and 60mm in width are acceptable and less than 2mm in depth.

Tight Knots of less than 40mm in width are acceptable.













Borer Holes are acceptable provided there are less than 24 holes per 900mm depending on width.

Checking is acceptable provided individual length does not exceed 250mm and width does not exceed 2mm.