

# NatureColor® BaseCoat PRODUCT DATA

A proven translucent wood protection finish is a synthesis of alkyd resins, polymers, pigments and fungicidal components formulated to establish and sustain a grain and texture-defining natural new wood appearance to exterior wood.

#### Color Range

Natural	001
Aged Pine	002
Cedar	003
Teak	004
Chestnut	005
Lodge Brown	006
Mahogany	800

# Packaging

US Gallons available in All Colors

US 5 Gallons available in All Colors

## Shelf Life & Storage

Approximately 5 years in an unopened container.

Keep from freezing.

#### **Properties**

**Viscosity** 27-32 secs Ford Cup #2/25 C. (77F.) **Density** – 7.1-7.3 lbs. +/-0 .1 U.S. Gal.

Solids by Weight – 38%

Solid by Volume – 31%

**Gloss Level** – On smooth surfaces initial

application has a sheen that softens to a satin finish when exposed to the elements.

**V.O.C.** – Less than 4.5 lbs/gal., 538 g/L – waterfree

**UV Protection**: UV Filter Technology Translucent iron oxide pigments **Flow** – good

**Durability** – Excellent, subject to adequacy of initial application film thickness (approx. 35 microns when dry), timely recoat maintenance, quality of construction, method of application, etc.

## **Features and Benefits**

TranslucentEnsures optimum visibility of the wood grain, enhances and highlights the natural beauty of the wood.
Micro-porousAllows moisture in the wood to escape.
UV protectionScreens the wood from sunlight deterioration through
use of UV absorbers and iron oxide pigments.
Water repellentProtects against damage from moisture intrusion.
Fungi resistantImpedes the growth of wood disfiguring and
decaying microorganisms.
FlexibleAllows for expansion and contraction of the wood.
Low odorApplicator friendly through use of low odor solvents.

# Where to Use

NatureColor $^{\otimes}$  Base Coat is used on exterior vertical surfaces as the first and second coat of a recommended three-coat system.

NatureColor $^{\circledast}$  Base Coat is used alone as a one or two coat application on weather exposed horizontal wood surfaces (such as decks).

- Siding
- Timbers and Logs
- Decks and Railings
- Trim
- Entry Doors and Garage Doors
- Shakes
- Shutters
- Fencing and Garden Furniture
- Docks

## **Surface Preparation**

For optimum long-term visual appeal of your natural wood, correct wood surface preparation is of great importance.

Options are; Sanding, TSP-Bleach-Water Power washing or Chemically or Abrasive stripping the wood surface. For method to use see spec sheets for your particular application.

Coat vertical surfaces within two weeks of cleaning procedures. Apply second coat within two weeks of the first application. Coat horizontal surfaces within one week of surface preparation.

#### Coverage

#### Smooth Wood:

 $1^{st}$  coat – 165 to 200 sq.ft./one U.S.Gal.  $2^{nd}$  coat – 250 to 300 sq.ft./one (1)U.S.Gal

#### Rough-Sawn or Textured Wood:

1<sup>st</sup> coat – 150 to 165 sq.ft./ one (1) U.S. Gal. 2<sup>nd</sup> coat – 200 to 300 sq.ft./ one (1) U.S. Gal

#### **Drying Time**

#### Touch-dry after 3-4 hours.

Recoatable after 24 hours, at 68-F and 65% relative humidity.

At temperatures below 50 For conditions of high humidity, the drying time will be extended.

#### **Clean Up**

Clean spills and spatters immediately with mineral spirits.

Clean tools immediately after use with mineral spirits.

Dispose of empty can or unused finish in accordance with state and federal

# **Application Method**

- 1. Do a color confirmation test. Allow 24 hours dry time between coats. Apply the number of coats recommended for your application.
- 2. Check moisture content of the wood. Apply coating when the surface moisture is no more than 18%
- 3. Stir material thoroughly before and during use.
- 4. Best results are with a longhair, natural bristle brush. Airless sprayer application is acceptable, but must be immediately back brushed. Tip: .011 to .013 Pressure: 1500 to 1800 PSI Siding can be pre-coated with two coats of NatureColor<sup>®</sup> Base Coat before installation. Back priming is recommended for siding.
- 5. Generously coat the surface and all exposed end grains. Apply as liberally as possible without runs do not "stretch out" the product. Apply in the direction of the grain. On textured/rough sawn surfaces, thoroughly cross brush to soak the finish into the surface and finish brushing in the direction of the grain. If spraying, spray until the coating runs slightly and then immediately back brush.
- 6. Avoid lap marks by starting at one end of a given surface area and while maintaining a wet edge, follow through to the opposite end of the surface area.

#### For Best Performance

- Keep material from freezing
- Do not thin or add colorants
- Apply product to acceptable wood substrates. See application guides.
- Apply when wood surface moisture is not more than 18%.
- Coat vertical surfaces within two weeks of cleaning procedure. Second coat within two weeks of the first coat.
- Coat horizontal surfaces within one week of surface preparation.
- Stir thoroughly before and during application. Do not shake.
- Apply liberal coats.
- Apply in the direction of the grain.
- Maintain a wet edge.
- Saturate all end grains.
- Apply when surface and air temperature are between 50°F and 90°F
- Avoid application of product when temperatures are expected to drop below 50 F within 4 hours.
- Avoid application when dew or moisture is present.
- Avoid applying finish in the direct sun or when surface is hot to touch.
- Back priming is recommended.
- Wait one year for lumber treated with paraffin or water repellant.
- After one coat application of NatureColor<sup>®</sup> Base Coat, apply one part urethane type caulking to all seams and joints. Proceed with coats 2 and 3 of three-coat system.
- Power rinsing your building once a year will clean off the dirt and enhance the performance of the coating.
- Apply your maintenance coat sooner than later see spec guide.



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