

FAQs: Douglas Fir Lumber

What is Douglas Fir?

Douglas Fir is a straight grained lumber with a light rosy color. It is set off by a remarkably straight grain pattern, making it a premium building product specified by architects, engineers and builders for a wide range of construction applications.

What's the difference between Douglas Fir and other lumbers?

Douglas Fir may resemble other lumber, but it is differentiated by its properties. A tight, close grain signifies its strength. Douglas Fir is often sold as a green Lumber product, naturally seasoning to local environmental conditions.

Can this be stained or sealed?

Yes, Douglas Fir is made ready for painting, staining and sealing. If purchasing green Douglas Fir Lumber, be sure the lumber is dry to the touch before finishing.

How much weight can this lumber handle?

Douglas Fir is valued for its dimensional stability, strength and high specific gravity which provides excellent nail-holding capability. It is a resilient timber with a high strength-to-weight ratio.

Can you provide any other lengths and sizes?

Yes, this product is available in various sizes like 2x4, 2x6, 2x12 and 4x6. Check your [local store](#) for availability in your area.

Is it kiln-dried or green wood?

Doug Fir may be green (undried) or dried, depending on the geographic market in which it is sold. There is a mark on the face of the lumber indicating the moisture content.

Is this lumber recommended for exterior use?

It is suitable for exterior use if properly painted or treated. You can also use it for framing, floor joists, wall panels, roof trusses and stair components.