

## Natures Wood Stain™

Natures Wood Stain™ is a bio-sustainable, waterborne-alkyd, plant-based, interior and exterior stain. Formulated using next generation bio-based chemistry and sustainable materials.

**Use:** Enhance inherent beautiful characteristics of unsealed wood, stone, concrete, and other textured porous surfaces. Natures Wood Stain™ colors can be layered, blended, and diluted with water to create multidimensional unique tones. Great for a variety of interior and exterior projects such as: furniture, cabinetry, decorative arts, woodwork, stone, plaster, and concrete. **Coverage:** Approx. 140 Sq.Ft (13 sq. metres) per 32oz (945ml).

**Prep:** Before getting started, review tip sheets or visit your local retailer for additional instructions. Previously painted/sealed surfaces will not accept stain readily. Stripping/sanding may be required prior to application. If stripping, wipe back the surface with clean water. Allow the surface to dry and off-gas for 24 hours to ensure no surface chemical residue remains prior to staining. Surfaces should be free of cleaner residue, dust, dirt, and debris. Before staining the entire surface, a test spot is recommended to detect surface interference.

Recommended Application: Stir from bottom up before use - Do not shake. Surfaces/wood react differently to stains, a test spot recommended. Using a quality tool, apply one even coat of stain. Recommended tools include- natural/synthetic bristle brush specified for stain applications, a roller (5-10mm), sponge brush stain applicator, or sprayer (pressure 1500-2500 psi, nozzle 0.013 − 0.017). To achieve deeper tones - Stain can be left on the surface (allowed to penetrate) without wiping back with a cloth. For a more transparent finish - While stain is still wet on the surface, wipe back with cloth, removing excess stain. Increase the depth (darkness) of the stain color by adding a second or third coat of Natures Wood Stain™. A second Natures Wood Stain™ color can also be layered for custom tones. Do not apply product when air and surface temperatures are below 50°F (10°C).

**Dry Time:** Recommended recoat time is approximately 2-6 hours. Additional coats should only be applied after the recommended dry/recoating times have elapsed. Dry times may be extended due to humidity or cooler temperatures.

**Cure**: Minimum cure time of 72 hours before use. For optimal results, allow surfaces to cure up to 1 week before use. Cure times may be extended due to humidity or cooler temperatures.

Visit www.artisanenhancements.com for additional application instructions.

**Surface Care:** Once cured, maintain surfaces with a dry or damp soft microfiber cloth. Avoid excessive exposure to moisture. Avoid repeated scrubbing. Avoid cleaning with harsh, caustic, or abrasive cleaners. Protect tabletop surfaces with coasters, heat and place mats.

**Clean up & Storage:** Easy clean up with mild soap and water. Storage - seal the container tightly. Do not freeze or expose to direct sunlight/extreme heat. **RECYCLE CONTAINERS** in accordance with local laws.

## Tips & Hints:

- Natures Wood Stain™ can be combined or layered to create custom stain colors.
- Apply thin coats using even linear strokes to avoid heavy application. Heavy application can lead to build-up of oil resins and extended cure times.
- If the surface feels "moist", "tacky", or "damp" after 24 hours, extend the dry time before adding additional coats. Make sure each coat is completely dry before applying additional layers.
- If applying Natures Wood Stain™ with a roller- Use a high density, low absorption foam roller designed for smooth application and stain. Apply thin coats using even linear strokes to avoid lap lines.
- Nature Wood Stain™ can be diluted for weathered, wash, and layered techniques. If diluting stains –
  Color saturation, dry time, cure time, and sheen of diluted concentrations will vary. Start with a 5%
  dilution of water on a test sample. Do not dilute more than 10%.

Find more tips & techniques at www.artisanenhancements.com.