

ARMSTRONG-CLARK'S SEMI-SOLID WOOD STAIN

OXFORD BROWN – MOUNTAIN CEDAR – SEQUOIA – WOODLAND BROWN

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

DESCRIPTION: A one coat, high solids pigmented finish made from heavy and light bodied oils with four times the pigments of our semi-transparent stains designed for application on unpainted wood. Heavy bodied oils provide water repellency. Extra pigments provide longer lasting sun protection. Light bodied oil penetrates into the wood. Armstrong-Clark's Semi-Solid Wood Stains repel water, add flexibility to the wood and absorbs a greater degree of the sun's UV rays.

UNIQUE QUALITIES: Armstrong-Clark's formula is a combination of drying and non-drying oils that gives the user two layers of protection with one brush stroke. Armstrong's Wood Stains have a non-drying conditioning oil that separates from the drying side of the formula. This oil penetrates into the wood fiber where the wood's natural oil used to be. This process rejuvenates the wood. The drying oils stay at the surface, lock in the conditioning oil and create a barrier that is dry to the touch. Armstrong-Clark's Wood Stains have only a mild boiled linseed oil aroma and can be applied in the direct sunlight/heat of the day. Will not peel or crack. Can be exposed to light to "normal" rain 60 minutes after absorption into wood. All of Armstrong-Clark's colors are inter-mixable.

USE:For older unpainted wood surfaces such as: decks, siding, shakes and shingles, fences, and log homes where color retention, water repellency and wood conditioning are the desired goal.

BEFORE YOU START:

Test stain choice for color and absorbency. Wood must have moisture content 20% or lower as determined by a moisture meter. Cedar shakes and shingles should have a moisture content 15% or lower to help prevent tannin bleed. Please call us at 800-565-8211 if you are applying stain to a deck that has less than 18" ground clearance or does not have adequate air ventilation underneath.

New Wood Warning: Wood must be at least 1 year old before applying Armstrong-Clark's semi-solid colors.

Rain Warning: Can be exposed to "light" to "normal" rain 60 minutes after stain absorbs into wood (not 60 minutes after application). If heavy rain is expected, wait until after the storm has passed. Clean if necessary. Let wood dry for 48 hours. Cool temperatures and/or damp/ humid weather may lengthen dry times. Moisture needs to be 15% or less as determined by a moisture meter.

Hot weather: Enjoy application in the sunlight and heat of the day regardless of how hot it is outside.

Cool Weather Warning: Do not apply under 50 degrees. When daytime temperatures drop to 50 degrees, keep stain inside at room temperature and apply in the heat of the day. Freezing in the evening after application will not harm stain, but it will lengthen curing time.

Coverage: Coverage will vary depending on the age and species of the wood. 175 - 200 sqft. horizontal; 300 sqft. Vertical

SURFACE PREPARATION: Read "Before you Start" above. Surface must be clean and free of dust, dirt, mold, mildew, pollen, moisture. Wait 48 hours after cleaning to allow wood to dry. Cool temperatures and/or damp/ humid weather may lengthen dry times. Moisture needs to be 15% or less as determined by a moisture meter.

Aged wood or previously sealed with Armstrong-Clark's: Wash surface using a mixture of soap, chlorinated bleach and water (1 part bleach to 3 parts water) with mild scrubbing. Rinse thoroughly and/or light pressure wash.

Previously sealed with other brand stain: Remove stain. If stripping is required, be sure to apply brightener. If sanding, please note the following warning:

WARNING! If you scrape, sand, or remove old paint from any surface, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH approved respirator to control lead exposure. Avoid contact with skin. Carefully clean up with a wet mop or HEPA vacuum. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the U.S. EPA/Lead

www.epa.gov/lead.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: Stir thoroughly. Be sure to scrape off all pigment that may have settled to the bottom of the can. Stir every 20 minutes during application. Do not thin. Avoid dripping, running and over spray of Armstrong-Clark's wood stain as this might cause damage to garden plants and can stain painted surfaces. Do not apply to wood less than 1 year old. Drying time in humid climates and cooler weather can be significantly longer as compared to our other stains. Over application can result in rub-off onto clothes and shoes.

Softwoods application: Easy application by brush, stain pad, roller, or airless spray equipment. No garden sprayers. Back brushing or back rolling recommended with spray applications. One coat only - do not apply two coats except on fire retardant shingles. For fire retardant shingles apply 2nd coat "wet-on-dry" at least 48 hours apart.

Hardwood application: Do not apply Semi-Solid colors to hardwoods. Only apply Armstrong-Clark's Mahogany and Amber colors to hardwoods.

After Application: Brush out any puddles after application. Let stain soak in overnight. If there are any wet spots after 24 hours, remove them with a dry towel. See rag disposal and SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION WARNINGS below.

Drying Time: After absorption into wood, allow 8 hours for light traffic, 72 hours for heavy traffic and placement of patio furniture. Cool and/or damp weather will lengthen dry times.

Outdoor Furniture: DO NOT APPLY SEMI-SOLID Colors to sitting surfaces and furniture.

CLEAN UP:

Clean all equipment with paint thinner. All empty cans must be air dried. Dispose according to state and local regulations.

AVOID SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION!

Immediately after use place used rags and other waste in a sealed, water filled metal container.

MONTHLY MAINTENANCE: To keep stained surfaces looking their best, especially decks, once a month sweep, blow, or hose off to remove dust, dirt, grime, mildew, and mold.

APPLICATION MAINTENANCE: Reapply at 2 to 4 year intervals for vertical surfaces and 1 to 3 year intervals for horizontal surfaces, depending upon weather exposure.

GENERAL PROPERTIES

VOC: Does not exceed 50 grams per liter

TYPE: Linseed oil based

THINNER: DO NOT THIN

FLASH POINT RANGE: >200°F closed cup

SOLIDS: 95% active ingredients

CUSTOM COLORS: Armstrong-Clark's wood stains are NOT TINTABLE. However, all of Armstrong-Clark's colors can be intermixed to create custom colors.

APPLICATION TEMPERATURE RANGE: 50° F to 120+° F

MOISTURE CONTENT: Must be 20% or lower as determined by a moisture meter. Cedar shakes and shingles should have a moisture content 15% or lower to help prevent tannin bleed.

DRYTIME: After absorption into wood, allow 8 hours for light traffic, 72 hours for heavy traffic and furniture. Cool and/or damp weather will lengthen dry times.