

MAHOGANY

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HONDURAN MAHOGANY
BIG-LEAF MAHOGANY

SPECIES IN A NUTSHELL

SCIENTIFIC NAME

Swietenia Macrophylla

JANKA HARDNESS

900 lbf (4,020 N)

WEIGHT (DRIED)

640kg/M3

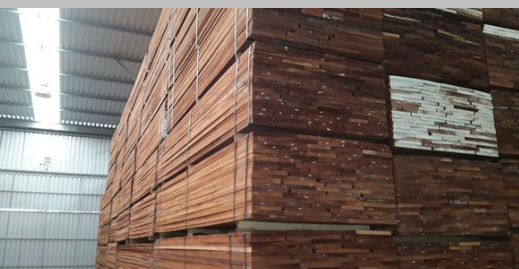
COMMON USES

Furniture / Flooring / Interior
Decoration

USUALLY

**AVAILABLE
AS**

Rough Sawn Lumber
1" to 4" x 4" & up x 6' & up
Grades:
F.A.S
N.1 & Common
(As per NHLA Rules)



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Description:

Heartwood reddish, pinkish, salmon colored, or yellowish when fresh; deepening with age to deep rich red or brown; distinct from the yellowish or whitish sapwood. Luster high and golden; texture rather fine to coarse; grain straight to roey, wavy, or curly, often with an attractive figure; odor and taste not distinctive.

Mahogany goes by many names, yet perhaps its most accurate and telling name is Genuine Mahogany. Not to be confused with cheaper imitations, such as Philippine Mahogany, *Swietenia macrophylla* is what most consider to be the real and true species when referring to "Mahogany."

An incredibly important commercial timber in Latin America, Honduran Mahogany is now grown extensively on plantations. It has been widely exploited, leading to its inclusion on the CITES Appendix II in 2003. In effect, this limits the international exporting of the lumber to certified sustainable sources. (This is also why many lumber retailers located in the United States are unable to ship Honduran Mahogany outside of the country.) Substitutes sometimes used are African Mahogany or Sapele.

Genuine Mahogany's easy workability, combined with its beauty and phenomenal stability have made this lumber an enduring favorite.

FULL DESCRIPTION

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