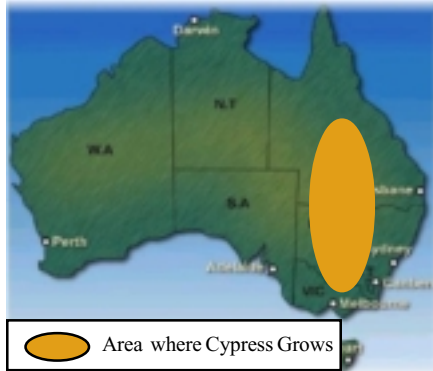


Introducing Australian Cypress Flooring

Species: *Callitris, glauca*



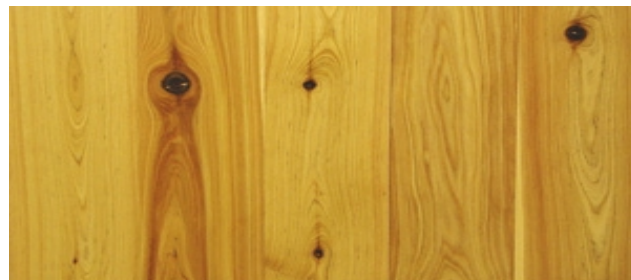
Australian Cypress is a unique softwood that grows a few hundred miles inland from the coast in the adjoining areas of Northern New South Wales and Southern Queensland. Cypress is a small, slow growing species which flourishes on the hills and eastern slopes leading up to the interior Tablelands. The tree typically grows to about 50 feet in height and is only 10 - 12" in diameter.

It grows in altitudes between 400 feet and 1200 feet in semi-arid conditions with annual rainfall levels between 12 inches and 20 inches a year. Growing slowly in such dry areas accounts for the exceptional density and hardness of Australian Cypress, which is the only commercial softwood with a janka hardness, (1375lbs), harder than American Red Oak, (1290lbs), — making it the ideal softwood flooring choice for residential or commercial settings!

There are 1,000,000 acres of commercial Cypress forests, 90% of which are on Crown (State) lands, well managed by the Australian Forestry Department through selective cutting and natural regeneration. In the past, Cypress was cleared to make way for additional grazing lands, but now is protected as a valuable species & is sustainably managed.

In Australia, cypress is typically used for fence posts, fencing, framing, flooring & siding given its unique durability with exceptional resistance to decay and termites. Cypress is rated as a Class One Durability timber—the highest rating given.

With a wide range of cream/straw/honey brown tones and filled with darker character knots, Australian Cypress is the ideal flooring choice wherever a warm, rustic country look is desired.



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The Unique Character of Australian Cypress

is why many consider cypress to be the world's most beautiful softwood. However, you & your customer need to fully understand the properties, look & grading of this wood so all concerned have the proper expectations of how the floor will look after installation. Making sure the ultimate buyer understands this specie's look before closing the sale will avoid possible disappointment later. As part of our ongoing commitment to education, we provide this information on Cypress to enhance your ability to sell this species as well as install and finish this wood.

Grading: Cypress is a character filled wood and that is the beauty of using cypress. Due to the extreme hardness and density of this wood, coupled with the knots found in this species, you will find the following specific character intrinsic to this species. There are Numerous Knots. During the drying process, these knots "star check", (open up with cracks), and in the milling process they occasionally chip on the edge. If any of these checks/edge chips are too large, the installer may either cross cut them out and use the remaining pieces as starter/ending pieces or may install as is and fill later. There is occasional Face/End Checking. As cypress is extremely brittle, once dried to N. American needs, there is minor surface checking (small cracks in the face) and end checking that occurs from time to time. These are not defects but simply part of the cypress character. If you or your customer will object to any of the above Cypress characteristics, please DO NOT INSTALL this species.

Equalizing/Nailing/Finish Installation Tips For Solid Wood Flooring:

(Please request a copy of our complete Cypress Installation/Finish Instructions before installing/finishing)

Equalizing/Moisture Content: - Your Cypress has been dried to 8%. While we normally dry our other species to 6/7%, Cypress becomes too brittle when dried this low and too many knots are lost when milling. While this species has extremely low movement in service factors, cypress will still shrink in width when installed in extremely dry areas. Therefore, in areas with equilibriums of 7% and below, it is imperative that you properly equalize before installing.

Nailing— When nailing, the tongues may split. If this occurs too often you can adjust the height/angle which the nail/staple enters the flooring. Try building up the heel/toe of the nail gun plate with tape so as to change the entry angle/height of the fastener to reduce the splitting. Trial & error will reveal the optimal adjustment.

Finishing— Cypress, like all softwoods, is a resinous wood—you can smell the beautiful scent when cutting or sanding. There has been occasions when the resins bleed out of the wood/knots under/into the finish and cause drying/adhesion problems, (mostly with oil based products). Given the vast number of finishes on the market today and the constantly changing finish formulations, we always suggest you first test the finish you propose to use prior to site finishing. Simply coat a few uninstalled pieces with your finish choice, allow them to dry and then inspect the finish carefully, especially on top of the knots, to first see if the finish is completely dried. Then, use a coin to try and rub off the finish and make sure your choice of finish has sufficient adhesion to the wood. As part of our Cypress Installation/Finish Recommendations, which are shipped with each flooring order, we provide Manufacturer approved finish recommendations for Berger Seidel, Bona Kemi, & Basic Coatings finishes. Please request a copy.

Australian Cypress Solid Un-Finished Strip & Plank Pricing

Size	Bundle Size	Pallet Size	Price
3/4" by 2-1/4"	12.19 sqft	877.68	\$X.XX
3/4" by 3-1/4"	17.62 sqft	916.24	\$X.XX
3/4" by 4-1/4"	15.23 sqft	913.80	\$X.XX
3/4" by 5-1/4"	18.81 sqft	902.88	\$X.XX

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Australian Cypress Solid Pre-Finished Plank Options & Pricing

Size	Format	Bundle Size	Pallet Size	Price
3/4" by 3"	Solid PF Plank #1	15.0 sqft	1,050	\$X.XX
3/4" by 5"	Solid PF Plank #1	15.0 sqft	1,050	\$X.XX
9/16" by 3"	Engineered SingleStrip #2	15.0 sqft	1,260	\$X.XX
9/16" by 5"	Engineered SingleStrip #2	15.0 sqft	1,200	\$X.XX

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Note: #1 - Milled with MicroBeveled edge, random length, 12" - 72" long, for nail down
#2 - Milled SquareEdged, random length, 12" - 72", may be floated, nailed or glued

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