

TECHNICAL BULLETIN

Color/Grain Variation Vertical Grain Cedar

Color and grain variation are typical of materials created by nature and are recognized as part of the beauty that sets natural products apart from manufactured ones. This is particularly true where wood products are concerned, though some species have more or less grain and color variation than others. This should always be considered when looking at wood samples, as wood samples are not sorted for color. Clear Vertical Grain Cedar is regarded as the highest grade of cedar available and is well suited for rain screen and cladding applications. Its grain and cell structure allow for the use of penetrating transparent, semi-transparent, and solid wood stains, as well as properly primed wood paints.





Left: Cedar Finished / Right Cedar Unfinished





If cedar is left to weather naturally, it will develop an uneven grey patina. Grain, density, and moisture content can all affect finishing. Every piece of wood will accept a finish differently, even pieces from the same tree. It is always advised to sample finishes before completing the entire application. Timber Holdings does not guarantee the performance of finishes. Warranties, if available, are the responsibility of the finish manufacturer.







