

Weathered Oak Timbers

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Species

Oak (May be mixed Red and White or all Red or all White Oak).

Source

Barns, corncribs, stables, mills, homes and other buildings and agricultural/industrial/construction structures and materials from different locations in North America

HC/FOHC

Weathered Oak timbers are almost exclusively heart center timbers; usually moderate to very tight growth rings.

Metal

Nails, bolts and other fasteners are removed or occasionally cut flush or broken off inside the beam. Staining around nail and bolt holes is common.

Mortise Pockets/Notches/Holes

Mortise pockets and notches from the original joinery are common. Nail, bolt, peg and other fastener holes are allowed. The quantity and size of mortise pockets and holes can vary widely from timber to timber, with some timbers containing very few and others containing frequent mortise pockets, notches, peg holes and nail holes.

Checking/Cracks

Weathered Oak timbers generally have a check from the heart center to one of the faces of the timber. In addition, timbers can have surface checking and cracks, moderate butt checking and minor end splitting.

Moisture Content/Stability

Weathered Oak timbers are generally very dry and seasoned, and are much more stable and less prone to shrinkage than are green timbers.

Surfacing

Weathered (degree of weathering varies); original timber surface was rough-sawn, but may have been worn rather smooth; surface degradation (water damage, surface rot, "punkiness") is common.

Standard Dimensions

- a) Cross-sections: to 10x10; b) Lengths: to 16';
- c) Timbers Nominal: most timbers dimensions are nominal.
- d) Size Flexibility: The more latitude the customer can provide in acceptable timber sizes, the better able Trestlewood is to meet the customer's timber needs in an economical and timely manner.

Available Dimensions

- a) Cross-sections: depending on inventory in stock (sizes available in the past include 10x14, 8x14, others);
- b) Lengths: depending on inventory in stock. Please contact your Trestlewood representative for available sizes.

Weight

Typically, approximately 4 pounds per board foot

Color/Appearance

Oak weathered timber colors vary -- common colors include browns (common for interior weathered timbers), grays (common for exterior weathered timbers) and combinations of browns and grays.

Appearance Variation

Weathered timbers will generally vary in appearance from piece to piece and even within a piece. The weathering (amount, mix of colors, etc) and other characteristics of one face can be substantially different than the weathering and other characteristics of another face. Some weathered timbers are cut from larger weathered timbers, giving them one or more fresh-sawn faces.

Trestlewood sometimes uses one or more "juicing" processes to help fresh-sawn and/or less weathered/aged faces blend in with weathered/aged faces. All else being equal, juicing is more likely to be used in situations where (a) timbers are cut from



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larger timbers (thereby creating fresh-cut faces); (b) Buyer wants all (or most) faces to look weathered/aged; and/or (c) Buyer desires to increase the consistency of the weathered/aged look from face to face.