Cypress

Taxodium distichum

Cypress is a light colored wood with an even grain. It is rot, fungi, and insect resistant. Baldcypress grows in swampy areas along the Atlantic coast from Delaware to southern Florida, west along the Gulf Coast to southeastern Texas and along the Mississippi river valley to southeastern Illinois. About one-half of the cypress lumber comes from the Southern States and one-fourth from the South Atlantic States.

Fire Resistance

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| Material | NFPA Class\* |
|  Cypress | C |

\*NFPA is the National Fire Protection

\*\*UBC is the Uniform Building Code

Buoyancy and Weight

Cypress Janka – 570

Average Weight – 32 lbs/cu.ft. Specific Gravity .42

\*The Janka rating is a measure of the amount of force required to push a .444" diameter steel ball half way into a piece of wood.

Workability

Cypress works well with both hand and power tools. The wood planes easily and resists warping. Although cypress is resinous, it glues well, sands easily and readily accepts finishes.

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