



Yellow Cedar

Chamaecyparis nootkatensis

Found in the same forests as Western Red Cedar on the British Columbia coast through into Alaska, Yellow Cedar is both durable and stunning. Despite its Cedar label, it is actually a Cypress. With much debate over its foliage and cones, the scientific name has bounced back and forth over the years from Cupressus to Chamaecyparis. Industry rumours suggest the botanical name may change soon too.

One of the world's most durable softwoods, Yellow Cedar resists corrosion and is commercially valuable because of its grain patterns and pale yellow colour. Its naturally occurring oils make it very aromatic.

Yellow Cedar's minimal splintering qualities have made it popular for stadium seating, outdoor furniture, saunas, and custom woodworking. As one of the slowest growing conifers, its closely packed growth rings make for consistent colour and increased stability.

Hermpac is delighted to include Yellow Cedar in our suite of beautiful timbers. Please talk to the team about its suitability for your next project.



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Weatherboards

Well known for its durability, stability and attractive pale yellow tones, Yellow Cedar is available in an extensive range of profiles to give your project a design edge (similar to Hermpac's Western Red Cedar). Its neutral colour base allows Yellow Cedar to embrace stains and oils in a wide colour palette. Purchase with certainty - all of our weatherboard systems are BRANZ appraised and CodeMark certified

Soffit Lining and Panelling

The aesthetic charm of Yellow Cedar looks incredible when transferred from indoors to outdoors. Its clean, light colour exudes a feeling of openness. With tongue & groove profiles to support your choice of a traditional look, or an edgier square negative detailing - there are endless ways to style this versatile timber. Add further impact with a Hermpac pre-coated oil or stain in a colour to suit.

Battens and Screens

Enquire about our range of Yellow Cedar screens and battens, there will be sizes and lengths suited to your project. The use of battens and screens is a popular design choice. Along with making a style statement, they can also be a clever option for hiding less attractive features around your home. The durability of Yellow Cedar is an investment - ensuring it will look fantastic in years to come.

Technical Information

Hermpac Common Name	Yellow Cedar
Scientific Name	Chamaecyparis nootkatensis
Common Names	Nootka Cypress, Yellow Cypress, Alaska Cypress, Nootka Cedar, Alaska Yellow Cedar
Regions Of Distribution	West Coasts of British Columbia, Canada, Alaska
Heartwood Colour	Pale Yellow
Sapwood Colour	White to pale yellow
Grades	PC1
Sizes	up to 300 x 50
Lengths	up to 6.1m
Visual Grain	Light, Indistinct
Natural Durability	Class 1
Radial Shrinkage (Green To 12% Mc)	2.8%
Tangential Shrinkage (Green To 12% Mc)	6.0%

Mechanical Properties

	Green	Dry (12% Mc)
Modulus of Rupture ^(MPa)	43	76.6
Janka ^(kN)		2
Modulus of Elasticity ^(GPa)	7.6	9.7
Specific Gravity ^(kg/m³)		420
Weight ^(kg/m³)		495

Sample



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