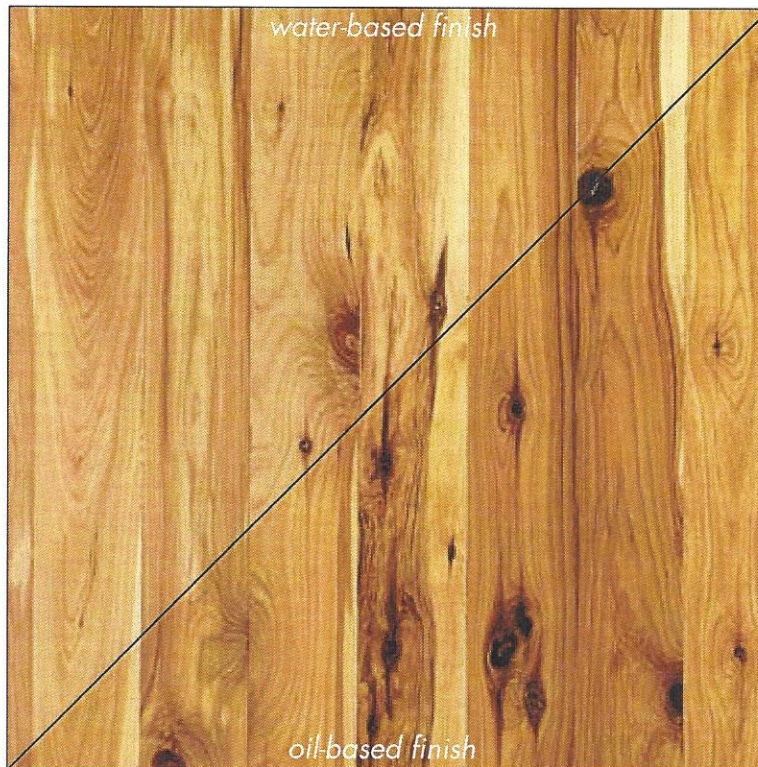


# CYPRESS, AUSTRALIAN

*Callitris glauca*



## Appearance

**COLOR:** Cream-colored sapwood; heartwood is honey-gold to brown with darker knots throughout.

**GRAIN:** Closed.

**VARIATIONS WITHIN SPECIES AND GRADES:** High degree of color variability.

## Properties

**HARDNESS (JANKA):** 1375.

**DIMENSIONAL STABILITY:** Excellent. However, actual installations have demonstrated significant movement.

## Workability:

**NAILING:** Can be brittle (like Brazilian cherry); splits tongues easily.

**SANDING:** Tendency to clog paper due to high resin content. Hardplating and screening may leave swirls; screening more than twice may be necessary. The knots are extremely hard and may cause wave in the floor. A 12-by-18-inch oscillating sander is recommended as the final screening to minimize the scratch pattern.

## Suggested Sequence

**First Cut:** 50 at a 7-15 degree angle with the grain

**Second Cut:** 60 straight with the grain

**Third Cut:** 80 or 100

**Hard Plate:** 100 or 120

**First Screen:** 100

**Second Screen:** 120 or 150

**FINISHING:** Knots may cause drying problems with some finishes. (See finishing comments on page 6.)

**COMMENTS:** Potential for respiratory/allergic reactions.

## Origin

Australia.

## Availability

Readily available.