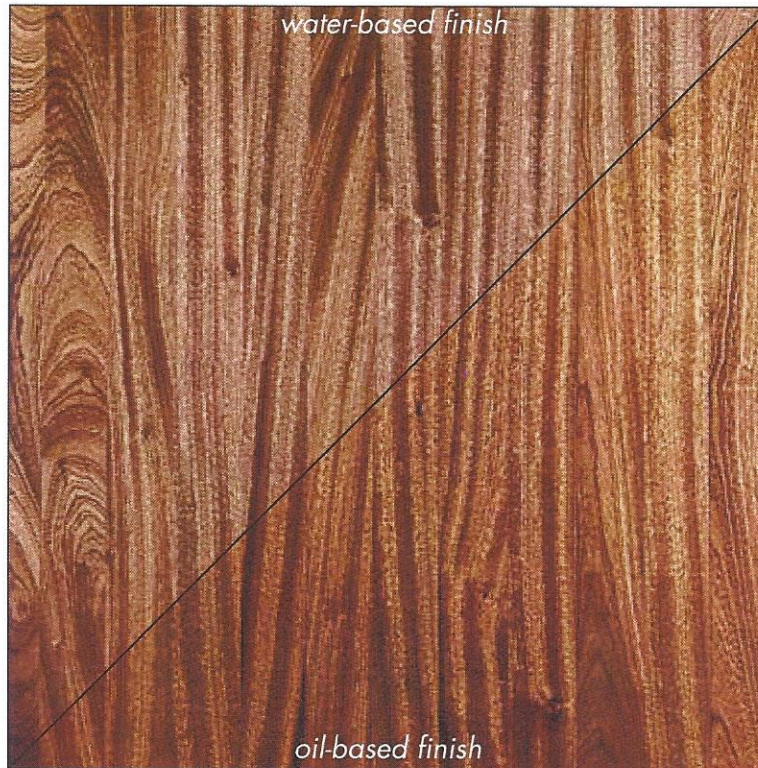


SAPELE

Entandrophragma cylindricum



Appearance

COLOR: Medium to dark red-brown; darkens over time.

GRAIN: Fine, interlocked.

VARIATIONS WITHIN SPECIES AND GRADES: Quartersawn material has a ribbon-striped effect.

Properties

HARDNESS (JANKA): 1500.

DIMENSIONAL STABILITY: Above average.

Workability

NAILING: No known problems.

SANDING: Sands satisfactorily if correct sanding sequence is followed.

Suggested Sequence

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

Second Cut: 80 straight with the grain

Third Cut: 100

Hard Plate: 100 or 120

First Screen: 100 or 120

Second Screen: 150

FINISHING: Staining may over-darken the wood. No known finishing problems.

Origin

Africa.

Availability

Moderately available.