

VARATHANE® Natural Oil Finish
INTERIOR/EXTERIOR (oil based)
Application and Use Specifications
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GENERAL INFORMATION

VARATHANE Natural Oil Finish provides years of long lasting protection by sinking into the wood, as opposed to remaining on it as conventional finishes do. Formulated for interior or exterior use, it can be applied to concrete, masonry or metals, and can be used as a primer bond before or between coats of VARATHANE brand oil based clear finishes. In addition, it can be mixed with wood stains to improve brushability and provide clear tints.



Finally, it blends with the natural oils found in wood to help conceal scratches and marring, blending distressed areas—an ideal “quick fix” for surfaces that may have lost their original luster but are not quite ready to be fully refinished. Its multitude of uses around the home and on the job make Natural Oil Finish a “secret weapon” for millions of wood finishers.

Approximate Coverage: 300 – 600 sq. feet / gallon (28 – 56 sq. meters / gallon). Coverage will be less on rough sawn wood due to its porosity.

Dry times at 70°F (21°C) and 50% relative humidity:

- Dry to touch: 2 hours
- Recoat: 3 – 4 hours
- Full cure: 4 hours

Important Characteristics

- Clear penetrating oil with protective and sealing qualities.
- Hand rubbed appearance preserves the natural look and feel of fine wood.
- Easy to blend and to apply.
- An all around premium quality product that can be used on a wide variety of surfaces, indoors and out.
- Ideal for use on wood, metal or masonry
- Resists stains, water spots, alcohol, and household chemicals.

GENERAL APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Surface Preparation: On bare wood surfaces, sand with the grain, using fine sandpaper and remove all dust. Wood should be completely dry and mildew free. If surface will be exposed to excessive moisture, add a mildewcide paint additive to prevent possible mildew growth.

Apply a liberal coat of VARATHANE Natural Oil Finish with brush, cloth, roller or pad applicator. Clean up with mineral spirits. Thin as needed up to 15% with mineral spirits for spray gun usage.

Allow 30 – 40 minutes for penetration between coats. Allow 20 minutes for final coat to penetrate and thoroughly remove excess with soft clean cloth before product dries. For all applications, apply a minimum of two coats. If desired, polish with soft cloth. For a professional hand-rubbed effect on interior wood surfaces only, allow first coat to dry 6 hours and buff with a 4/0 steel wool using Natural Oil Finish as a lubricant. Wipe clean and apply second coat. Allow to stand 20 minutes and wipe excess before product dries.

GENERAL NOTES

RAGS, STEEL WOOL OR WASTE SOAKED WITH VARATHANE NATURAL OIL FINISH MAY SPONTANEOUSLY CATCH FIRE IF IMPROPERLY DISCARDED. IMMEDIATELY AFTER EACH USE, PLACE RAGS, STSEEL WOOL OR WASTE IN A SEALED WATER-FILLED CONTAINER. DISPOSE OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL FIRE REGULATIONS.

For natural interior wood – A hand rubbed Danish oil type finish, resistant to water spots, alcohols and stains, can be produced and maintained easily by applying with a cloth.

For natural exterior wood – Deep penetration impregnates the wood with oils and resins to protect against staining and checking. It seals out moisture, th4re by enhancing the life and natural appearance of the wood. Does not blister or peel.

For metal - helps prevent rust on painted or bare metal surfaces prior to painting. By depositing a plastic film, rust-causing moisture and salts cannot attack the metal.

For masonry – acts as a moisture block and reduces “dusting,” staining, spalling and efflorescence of masonry and brick surfaces. Deep penetration hardens masonry and does not produce a film to flake or peel. Reduces frost damage by sealing out moisture.

VARATHANE Natural Oil Finish should not be applied on wet wood, in direct sunlight, or on aluminum. Periodic maintenance coats may be necessary for surfaces that appear lighter or dry. Areas in direct sunlight will require more frequent maintenance coats. Applications on redwood, cedar, or woods with high oil content, heavy coats, or applications during periods of high humidity and/or low temperatures may result in the finish drying slower than normal. Due to the slight ambering properties of VARATHANE Natural Oil Finish, this product may have an amber cast on white, pastel or light-colored surfaces.