

TODAY'S CEDAR FOR YOUR GREAT OUTDOORS

Western Red Cedar is perfectly suited for your outdoor projects. Naturally decay-resistant, light in weight, easy to work, this durable wood is as practical as it is good looking.

This brochure contains helpful pointers on building outdoor Cedar structures for play, entertaining and storage. We have not included step-by-step building instructions as the designs are simply a source of ideas – concepts you can build on to meet your own outdoor living needs.

CEDAR, NATURALLY

For centuries Western Red Cedar has been the Pacific Northwest's "heritage" outdoor building material – for some very natural reasons:

Natural durability. Cedar's natural preservative oil eliminates the need for further chemical treatments, unless the wood is in direct contact with the ground.

Natural stability. Cedar resists cracking, warping, cupping and pulling loose from fasteners.

Natural working ease. Cedar is uncommonly light in weight, cuts cleanly and easily.

Natural beauty. Cedar's richness of grain, color and texture complement any architectural style.

COLD FRAME/ PROPAGATING BENCH

Dimensions: 48 inches wide by 24 inches deep and 30 inches wide

Design: John Terins

This versatile unit does triple duty in the garden – it serves as a cold frame, a propagating shed and as a raised planter. Created specially for the WRCLA's designer series of garden projects, it is made from durable Western Red Cedar, a naturally long lasting wood that is easy to work and finish. The clear acrylic lid can be set in different positions to adjust ventilation or removed completely so the unit can be used as a potting bench or planter. Garden pots and tools can be stored within easy reach on the lower section. Legs are optional so the unit can be set on the ground and used as a conventional cold frame for propagating seeds and cuttings, hardening off seedlings and over wintering tender plants.

Designer's Tip: Stain the entire unit a soft gray green for a slightly weathered patina that blends naturally with the green garden environment.

THE FINISHING TOUCH

While Cedar can be left unfinished for a rustic weathered look, the use of a quality finish recommended by your building supply dealer can enhance both its good looks and its natural characteristics.

Red Cedar accepts a wide range of stains in your choice of tinted transparent finishes for a natural effect, or lightly pigmented semi-transparent finishes. The latter are available in a spectrum of colors.

Look for a coating that offers good fungicide and ultra-violet shielding properties as well as additional preservatives to protect your project's youthful complexion. Varnishes and other film-forming coatings which can crack and peel are not recommended for use on Cedar.

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- Gazebos & Outbuildings
- Fences & Gates
- Planter Boxes, Benches & Tables
- Arbors, Trellises & Pergolas
- Garden Obelisks

TODAY'S CEDAR OFFERS YOU EXTRA ASSURANCE:

The Western Red Cedar Lumber Association mark of quality tells you it's Today's Cedar, carefully manufactured and strictly graded for your intended use.



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