



ACACIA CUTTING BOARD

Acacia is a genus including more than 1,300 species of plants, trees, and shrubs. While Acacia is native to Australia and Africa, you can also find it in California, Arizona, Hawaii, and Texas. Acacia trees have adapted to many climates from temperate to tropical to desert, which means that Acacia timber is accessible in most corners of the world. Additionally, Acacia trees grow quickly and can be harvested for many products, making Acacia wood a very sustainable option.

HOW SUSTAINABLE IS ACACIA?

Acacia's sustainability lies in the potential for carbon sequestration, fast and adaptive growth, and its multipurpose nature.

CARBON SEQUESTRATION

As Acacia trees grow, they slowly absorb CO₂ from the atmosphere while releasing oxygen. They act as a carbon sink during their lifespan, taking in up to 112 pounds of carbon each year. This means they are removing greenhouse gases from the atmosphere and helping mitigate the climate crisis.

FAST AND ADAPTIVE GROWTH

Acacia trees grow quickly and can take hold in almost any soil type; they adapt to various habitats, from coastal to sub-alpine and from high rainfall to arid inland areas. They do not need fertilizer and rarely need pesticides, making the timber much more available than wood from endangered tree species like teak and mahogany.

MULTIPURPOSE SPECIES

Acacia timber is used for everything from building materials to carved bowls to surfboards. In addition to timber, Acacia trees provide many beneficial products, including thickening agents in foods, medicinal extracts, and essential oils for use in perfumes.

ACACIA'S BEAUTY

The wood harvested from the Acacia tree is not just strong, but also quite stunning. The unique grain patterns and contrasting colors create a beautiful appearance.

Acacia's durability means it isn't scratched easily, too, while its water-resistant properties mean it won't warp readily and is highly resistant to fungus. Like many types of wood, Acacia is naturally antibacterial and therefore safe to use for preparing or serving food.

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