

NOVELTEAK

Glues, Finishes and Color Variations

What is the recommended GLUE for applications?

Novelteak and most manufacturers recommend using ReactTITE by Franklin. This product offers a two-component low foaming emulsion polymer isocyanate (EPI) adhesive recommended for applications requiring exceptional water, heat and solvent resistance. It can be used with conventional cold press or hot press equipment, and has been enhanced to provide superior performance with radio frequency press equipment. ReactTITE EP-925 allows for reduction in conditioning time before surfacing which improves productivity. It is also characterized by good spreader stability when compared with traditional EPI adhesives. While similar glues are also likely to work well, Novelteak has completed testing using ReactTITE EP-925 and it performed the best.

What are the recommended FINISHES for INTERIOR applications?

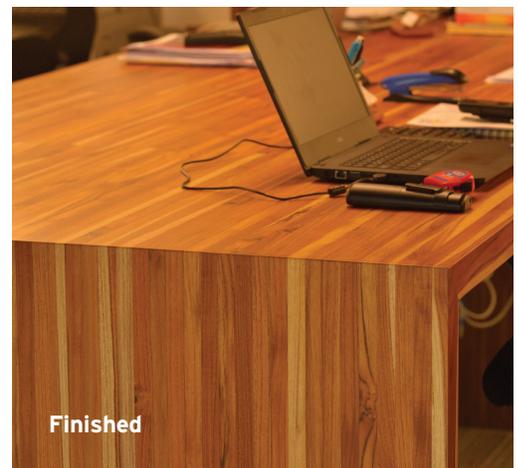
Most manufacturers apply 2 to 3 coats of no gloss water based polyurethane. Carver stains are recommended prior to the application of the finish to even out color differences between heartwood and sapwood if so desired.

What are the recommended FINISHES for EXTERIOR applications?

Some window and door manufacturers in Europe use the Sikkens products but most exterior products should work well. A traditional tung oil finish is also a great option and works very well.

What are the COLOR VARIATIONS that I can expect?

Sapwood and heartwood present a strong contrast initially. This can be mitigated with staining as mentioned above. If left natural, the sapwood will turn more brown and the heartwood will turn golden.



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