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Brookside Veneers Ltd. Your Integrated Wood Source for the Future

Since our humble beginning nearly forty years Brookside Veneers has become the industry

leader in the marketing and distribution of fine composite wood veneer products.

Well known for its commitment to quality, Brookside Veneers is also respected for its responsible approach to harvesting and processing wood products. Our composite veneers are crafted exclusively of woods from managed forests...and Alpi, our Italian manufacturer,

assures that only environmentally sound principles are employed during the manufacturing process. Our pledge to the environment is exemplified by our FSC® Chain of Custody certification and our continually expanding variety of FSC® certified veneer choices.

Our veneers are defect-free and easy to use while providing an unparalleled color and grain consistency and predictability not traditionally found in wood

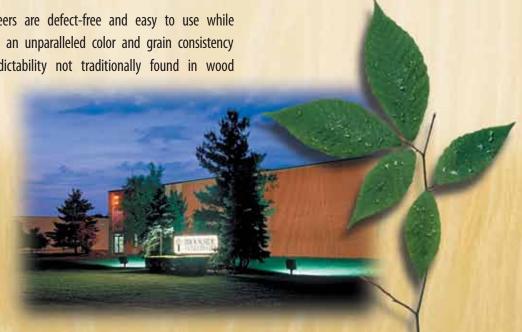
veneers. We maintain a standing inventory of more than fifty prefinished and seventy raw composite veneers, a wide range of conventional veneers, and we can work with you to create your own customized patterns. Our commitment to excellence and desire to help our customers achieve

> the best possible results have helped us earn the patronage of the top companies specializing in contract and residential furniture, kitchens, store fixtures, architectural woodworking, and door manufacturing.

Founder Arne Thomsson, sons David and Eric, and the entire

staff at Brookside are dedicated to bringing the essence of nature into your environment. No matter the project size, experts are available to assist you. Discover the Brookside Advantage for yourself... Call today!





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Three diverse composite veneers comprise our product offering:

Brookline® Veneer

Brookline® veneer is the foundation of our entire

line of veneer products. As you will see in the pages that follow, Brookline® is produced from a solid laminated block of dyed veneer. When sliced, each block yields 25" x 10'4" or 25" x 8'3" sheets of veneer, depending on the pattern. We recommend using a hot or cold press to bond Brookline® to the proper substrate. (Custom sizes available.)

Brookline® Paperback Veneers

Bonded through heat and pressure to a variety of backings, the backed veneers are stress-relieved, sanded and trimmed. The resulting product is a flexible veneer that is ideal for laminating to curved or flat surfaces. Other backings, such as Polyflex, Woodback and 20mil, are available upon request.

Braewood® Prefinished

Phenolic backed sheets of Brookline® veneers are flat-line finished with a specially formulated polyurethane. Braewood®PF can be fabricated with the ease of plastic laminate. Each sheet comes with a protective peel coat.



The Manufact



A brief overview, highlighting the Brookside advantage

Log Selection

The first step in the manufacturing process

is our selection of high quality hardwood logs of controlled woods from managed forests in Africa. Timber experts cruise the forest to hand select each tree, choosing no more than two per acre. Alpi, our Italian manufacturer, supplements production with FSC® Certified poplar.

Peeling the Logs

Once harvested, the trees are transported to the mill where they are trimmed, sawed to length and then debarked. The prepared logs are then mounted on a lathe, peeled into rotary veneer, and clipped to 25" veneer leaves. They are then dried, stacked and shipped to Italy for further processing.

Dyeing

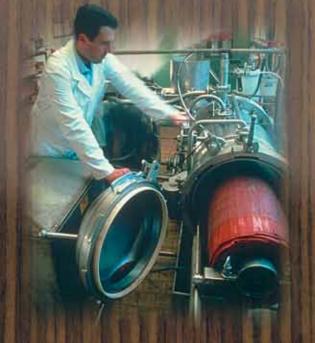
Dyeing is the key to the remarkable color consistency of Brookline® and Braewood® Prefinished. Technicians select the veneer leaves according to the color they wish to create and then assemble the veneers for dying with a water soluble dye. Once the dye has completely penetrated the veneer leaves they are removed and dried. The veneer is now ready for gluing.

Gluing

Glue is layered between each leaf to create a stack. The stack is then pressed in a high pressure press to form a large rectangular block. The glue serves two important functions. It not only bonds the layers of veneer together, but by adding dye to the glue, it enhances the grain and adds character to the veneer.



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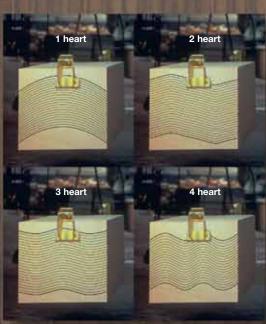


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Creating the Grain Pattern

The dyeing process ensures color consistency while the shape of the laminated block and the angle of cut control the grain pattern. Veneer leaves are glued together to form a block which is then shaped to produce a particular pattern (see diagrams below). The veneer is pressed between a top and bottom mold to achieve the desired shape, which will then be sliced into individual veneer leaves.



Making Braewood® Prefinished (PF)

Braewood®PF is created from two leaves of Brookline® which are spliced together to create a veneer face. The actual size of the finished face — 48" x 120" or 48" x 96" — is determined by the grain pattern. The veneer face is combined with three layers of phenolic resin saturated paper, and put in the press. Intense heat and pressure fuse the veneer onto the phenolic paper backing. The phenolic-backed sheet is sanded to prepare it for finishing. Three coats of polyurethane are applied with a flatline finishing system. After the finish cures, a protective peel coat is applied.



Dyeing



Environmental Statement



Brookside Veneers & Alpi: Committed to conservation

As an FSC® Chain of Custody certified veneer supplier, our goal is to preserve our wood resource for

future generations while providing long term economic benefits for the countries where we operate. Through stringently supervised forest management best practices and extensive consultation with independent foresters, we carefully monitor our methods to maintain sustained yield management and minimize environmental impact. Almost our entire line of veneer products is either FSC® certified or from a controlled wood source.

Alpi, our manufacturer, is actively engaged in protecting and enhancing the land, water and air

surrounding its facilities in Italy. The company has made substantial investments in state-of-the-art machinery and ventilation systems to reduce wood and dust fumes and preserve air quality. Effluents from veneer dyeing vats are piped to Alpi's own treatment facility and processed into clean water. While innovative manufacturing assures maximum product yield, all wood scraps generated during the process are utilized.

Brookside Veneers and Alpi are committed to supplying wood veneers in accordance with advanced environmental standards. Together, we strive to ensure that the essence of nature can be enjoyed within the environment of man.



Brookside Veneers Applied



Jared's Jewelry Store • OH



Accenture • NJ Central Millwork



Anton's Food Service • T.F. Green Airport • Providence, RI

Examples

From architectural and display applications to custom and contract furniture, Brookside Veneers will surpass your expectations. Here are a few examples of how customers have applied Brookside Veneers to their advantage.



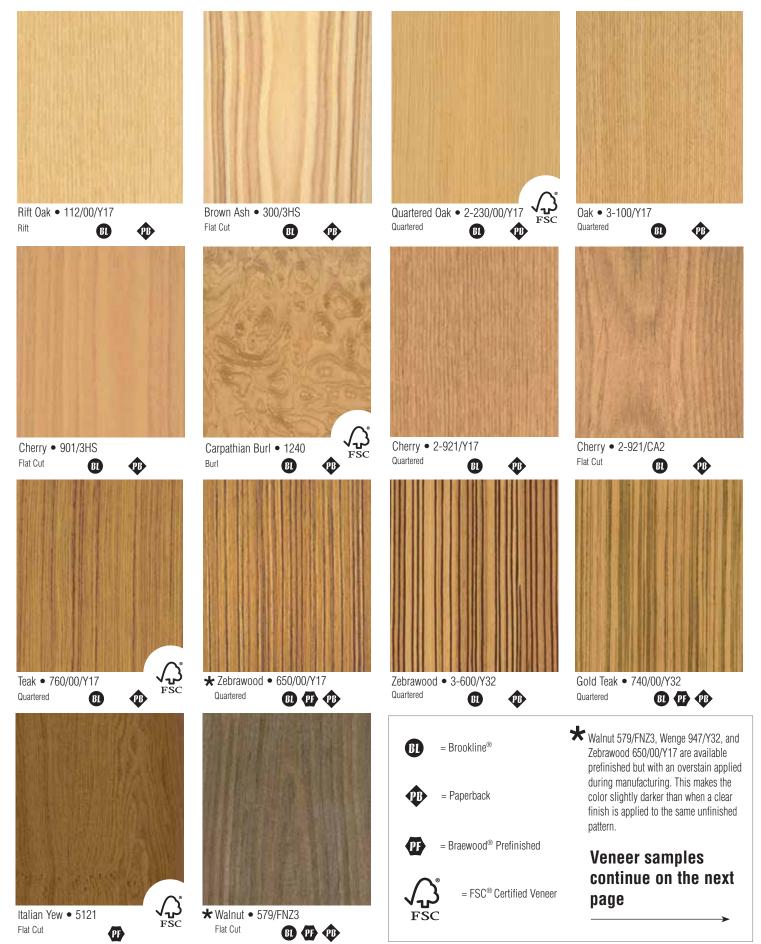
Lobby • Skyview Hotel• NJ Central Millwork





Some pigments are sensitive to ultraviolet light. With delicate colors, use of ultraviolet inhibiting finishes and a light overstain or a tinted finish are necessary to retard fading. Please request our technical information for finishing. NOTE: Photographic reproductions may not represent true veneer colors. Actual samples are available upon request.

LECTION



Sapele Pommele • 1302 Antique Cherry • 5017 Rosewood • 459/00/CZA-3-21 Classic Mahogany • 844/00/Y17 Figured Flat Cut Flat Cut **(B) (D) (D) (I) (I) (I)** Quartered (II) PF ★ Wenge • 947/Y32 Wenge • 3-942/V Wenge • 3-900/Y32 Walnut Burl • 1215 **61 PP 4B** PB Quartered Quartered BL Quartered **B** Rosewood • 450/3HS Indian Rosewood • 5023 Ceylon Rosewood • 474/00/Y12 Old English Mahogany • 5021 Quartered Quartered PB Quartered **₽**B BI PF BI = FSC® Certified Veneer $= Brookline^{\circledR}$ = Braewood® Prefinished = Paperback Ebony • 607/00/Y12 Ebony • 633/Y17 Macassar Ebony • 603/00/XV Quartered Quartered Quartered **(B) (D) (D)**

Brookside's Home

Located in scenic Cranbury, New Jersey...

Brookside Veneers Ltd. is dedicated to becoming the most user-friendly provider of quality architectural wood veneers. We are committed to our customers and are always reinvesting in Brookside to make it your "single veneer source." Our busy warehouse is kept fully stocked — ensuring our customers that their selections are available for immediate shipment. We are always improving organization and increasing efficiency which result in faster service and better prices for our customers.



Also from Brookside

Nature's Palette® Natural Veneers

In addition to our wide selection of composite veneers, Brookside introduces a unique collection of rare veneers with a paper backing. Fancy burls, figured woods and exotic pommele grains are just a few of the fine woods available.

Brookside Thick/Thin Edgebanding

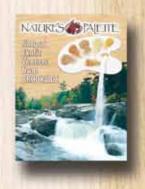
Developed to meet the needs of panel processors and furniture manufacturers, Brookside Thick and Thin Edgebandings finish the edges of many shapes and thicknesses of various substrate materials. It comes in your choice of composite or natural wood.

Attention Veneer Specifiers!

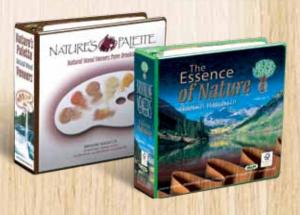
Ask us about our comprehensive Architectural Notebook. The Notebook contains a complete set of veneer samples and useful information about the proper specification of veneers. It is an incredible resource!

Now Available:

Line drawings indicating the overall grain patterns of complete sheets of composite veneer are available online at www.veneers.com. Just click on composite veneers, and choose light, medium or dark veneers. Veneer swatches will appear with the choice of viewing enlargements of the swatches as well as line drawings.







Available Literature

Brookside offers an array of literature

to help simplify specifying and using our wood veneer products.

Whether you're interested in detailed information on our veneer lines, learning more about how to apply them to your needs, or finding out about managed forestry programs — comprehensive information is just a phone call away!

All literature is available from Brookside distributors, representatives and direct from our Headquarters.

- Architectural (sample) Notebook
- Door Specification Brochure
- Brookline® Specification & Installation Sheet
- Braewood® Prefinished Specification & Installation Sheet
- Brookline® Paperback Specification & Installation Sheet
- · Short or Long Specification Form
- Product Application Guide
- Material Safety Data Sheet
- Environmental Brochure
- · Nature's Palette Brochure

The Brookside Limited Warranty

Brookside Veneers' products are warranted to be free from defects in materials and workmanship. Any such defects must be reported to your distributor within ten (10) days of date of delivery. During this warranty period we will repair, or at our option, replace, free of charge, such merchandise as shall prove to be defective. THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT APPLY TO DAMAGE RESULTING FROM ACCIDENT, ALTERATION, MISUSE, TAMPERING, NEGLIGENCE, OR ABUSE. INCIDENTAL AND CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES ARE SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMED. ALL OTHER WARRANTIES (INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE) ARE HEREBY EXCLUDED. THE FOREGOING SHALL CONSTITUTE THE SOLE REMEDY OF THE CUSTOMER.



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