

# TASMANIAN BLACKWOOD

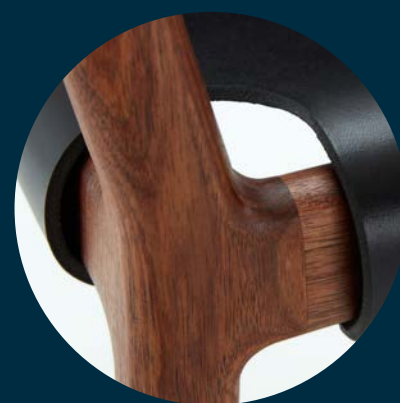


*Acacia Melanoxylon*

A favourite Tasmanian hardwood, Blackwood is a timber that is easily worked and favoured by furniture makers and craftspeople alike. Grown in the wetter areas in Tasmania the trees can reach heights up to 40 metres. Blackwood is definitely an “appearance” timber with a heartwood that is a rich golden brown. It has a medium and even texture, and its grain can either be straight or have a wavy fiddleback pattern, the latter being highly valued for furniture and veneers. With endearing qualities, it is easy to nail and glues particularly well. A smooth polished finished can be achieved making Blackwood ideal for furniture.

## SUITABILITY

Furniture  
Cabinetry  
Joinery  
Flooring  
Boating



## TECHNICAL DATA

<b>Density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>) unseasoned</b>	640	<b>Density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>) seasoned</b>	870
<b>Strength Group - unseasoned</b>	S4	<b>Strength Group - seasoned</b>	SD4
<b>Radial Shrinkage %</b>	1.5	<b>Tangential Shrinkage %</b>	4.0
<b>Lyctid Susceptible</b>	Sapwood, yes		
<b>Colour</b>	Light straw, aging to dull yellow	<b>Durable</b>	Recommended for internal use
<b>Grain</b>	Mainly straight, can be wavy in a fiddleback pattern	<b>Texture</b>	Even and medium
<b>Nailing</b>	Good, pre-drilling recommended	<b>Screwing</b>	Pre-drilling recommended
<b>Sawing</b>	Excellent	<b>Moulding</b>	Excellent
<b>Turning</b>	Excellent	<b>Bending</b>	Fair to very good
<b>Gluing</b>	Good	<b>Finishing</b>	Excellent