

ATLANTIC CEDAR PRODUCTS

Eastern white cedar shingles (*Thuja occidentalis*)

Description

The Eastern White Cedar (Eastern White Cedar) is actually an occidental Thuja.

This evergreen tree is native to north-eastern North America and grows very slowly. Of an average size of 15 to 20 meters, and a diameter between 40 and 90 centimetres, it can reach over 20 feet at maturity, with a diameter of 120 to 150 centimetres.

The white cedar tree has a very long life, some specimens has lived up to 800 years. It produces a very stable wood, highly textured and extremely durable, due to its exceptional resistance to insects and rot.

Its structure makes it an excellent thermal and acoustic insulation. The white cedar does not require preservatives or maintenance. It represents a natural alternative to treated wood. Its pleasant smell makes it very attractive for applications in interior woodworking.

Texture

Smooth surface and no splinters. The wood is soft, light, and with a uniform grain.

Qualities

Resistant to cracking, nailing, screwing, and is easy to glue. It lends itself very well to paint, stain and varnish: excellent permeability to these products. Eastern White Cedar shingles show a very good mold resistance.

(Source: Québec Wood Export)