

## **RED ALDER DATA SHEET**

Botanical name: Alnus Rubra

Country of origin: North America

Veneer thickness: from 0.6 to 2 mm

**Specific gravity:** 450 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (air-dried)

**Use**: in the furniture industry for kitchen, living room and bedroom furniture. Because of the typical defects of this wood, it is generally used by furniture-makers only for short lengths.

**Characteristics**: the colouration varies based on the amount of time that has passed from its cutting: whitish when fresh and then becoming light rosy brown and finally darker shades. It is difficult to find high-quality specimens of this wood, since it often has spots and knots.

**Drying**: drying is fast and easy.

**Surface**: fairly straight grain, moderately fine and uniform texture. Applying varnishes and lacquers is easy.

**Gluing**: all types of joints are good and effective.