

# Maple Select & Better

View in the Cascade Grade Selector

Select & Better is a 83.3% Clear One Face with 66.3% clear #1 back.

Maple Select & Better grade is ideal for fine cabinetry, furniture and molding manufacturing. Maple Select & Better grade includes all FAS, FAS/1F and Select boards. Select boards must grade at least a #1 back and the face must grade a Select.

	6'1" (1.85m)	7'1" (2.16m)	8'1" (2.46m)	8'3" (2.52m)	10'1" (3.07m)	12'1" (3.68m)
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#### Width Specs

- 4" (102mm) admitting by volume
- 5% narrows minimum

#### Length Specs

- 6' (1.83m) minimum

#### Cutting Specs

- 4" x 3' (102mm x 914mm) and longer
- 3" x 6' (76mm x 1.83m) and longer clear face cuttings
- Reverse face grades #1 shop

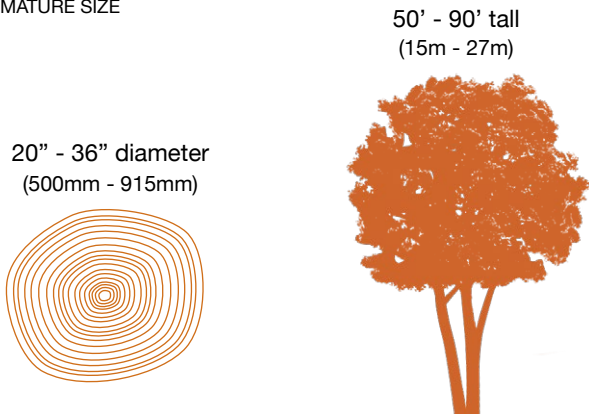
#### Notes

83.3% overall minimum yield.

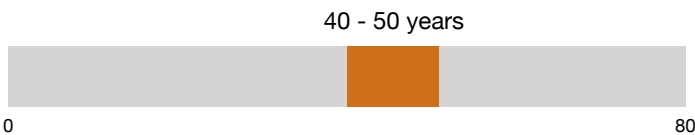
# Species Info **Pacific Coast Bigleaf Soft Maple** (*Acer macrophyllum*)

Our Big Leaf Maple lumber is widely used in furniture, cabinet, casegood, flooring and specialty applications. Maple is used in both very modern and traditional styles. Use of maple for kitchen cutting boards and butcher blocks testifies to the rugged utility of this hard and fine grained wood.

## TYPICAL MATURE SIZE



## OPTIMAL HARVEST AGE



## JANKA HARDNESS SCALE

Silver Maple <i>Acer saccharinum</i>	<b>700lb</b> 3110N
<b>Bigleaf Maple</b> <i>Acer macrophyllum</i>	<b>850lb</b> 3780N
Red Maple <i>Acer rubrum</i>	<b>950lb</b> 4220N
Hard Maple <i>Acer saccharum</i>	<b>1450lb</b> 6450N

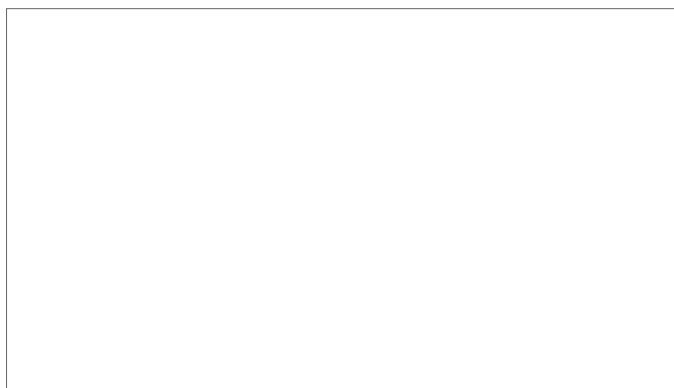
It should be obvious that Hard Maple is harder than Soft Maple, but you may be wondering how much of a difference there is between the two. The good news is that for many purposes, Soft Maple will be hard enough to be used in place of Hard Maple. Even though it is referred to as Soft Maple, it is only soft in relation to Hard Maple.

## Workability\*

Bigleaf Maple is well known for its working properties. It is moderately hard and of medium strength. It turns, planes and shapes well and can be sanded to a smooth finish.

FINISHING	CHARACTER INTEREST	COLOR UNIFORMITY	MACHINING	SANDING/POLISHING	JOINT STRENGTH	GLUING	TOTAL
10	9	9	9	9	9	10	<b>65</b> OUT OF 70

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