

## Hardwoods: Maple (USA)



<b>Trade Name:</b>	Maple
<b>Botanical Species:</b>	Acer saccharum
<b>Other Names:</b>	Hard or Rock Maple
<b>Country of Origin:</b>	U.S.A. & Canada
<b>Air Dry Density:</b>	740kgs/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Durability:</b>	Non-durable
<b>Colour:</b>	Light
<b>Strength:</b>	8+ (on a scale of 1 – 10)



### Seasoning:

- Dries well with little degrade.

### Characteristics:

- Hard maple is strong, heavy, hard, straight grained with a fine texture.
- The colour is cream with fine red/brown bands.

### Working Qualities:

- Rather difficult to work.
- Reduction of cutting angle to 20° assists the finishing operation.
- It can be stained, polished and glued satisfactorily but is hard to nail or screw.

### Uses:

- Flooring, high-class joinery, boat interiors, musical instruments and sporting goods.

### Product Attributes:

- Hard strong timber.
- Pale cream with fine red / brown markings.
- Veneers available.
- Straight grained with a fine texture.
- Stains and polishes satisfactorily.

### Product Limitations

- Can be difficult to work.
- Random widths.

- Hard to nail or screw.
- American grading rules apply.