



THE SONORAN COLLECTION

# Wood Options – Sonoran Collection

Wallbeds  
"n" More  
A comfortable extra  
bed for any room!

Hardness is one of the simplest ways to distinguish the wood used for furniture. Contrary to the popular belief, hardwood is not necessarily harder and denser compared to softwood. In botanical terms, hardwood comes from flowering trees while softwood comes from conifers. Both hardwood and softwood are used for everything from structural to decorative purposes.

Hardwood comes from Angiosperms such as maple, oak, and walnut. These trees lose their leaves annually (deciduous or broad-leafed trees). As they grow slowly, hardwood has denser wood fibers (fiber tracheids and libriform fibers).

## Sonoran Collection WOODS OFFERED:

**Maple**

**Alder**

**Knotty Alder**

**Cherry**

**Mahogany**

**White Oak**

**Walnut**

**Maple** trees are mostly native to Asia. But they are also found in Europe, North Africa, and North America. The maple wood is sturdy, resistant to splitting, and durable. It can be wiped clean with a damp cloth, making it ideal for kitchen furniture.

**Alder** is light tan in color with a light amber or reddish undertone. Like Cherry, it tends to mellow, or darken, over time. Choosing a finish for Alder is easy because it accepts stain well.

**Knotty Alder** features more irregular characteristics, like knots of various sizes and darker striations caused by mineral streaking. These random (and charming) quirks give our Rustic Alder door styles their signature informal look.

**Cherry** wood comes from the cherry fruit tree. Cherry wood has rich color, smooth grain, and flexibility, making it a popular choice for furniture manufacturers. It also steams easily, making it ideal for use in curved designs.

**Mahogany** is one of the most popular hardwood tropical trees. Mahogany wood is prized for its beauty, durability, and color. It is relatively free of voids and pockets. The color darkens over time. As a result, it is a popular choice for furniture.

**Oak** trees are native to the northern hemisphere. There are around 600 species of oak, both deciduous and evergreen. Oakwood is remarkably strong, heavy, and durable. It is also resistant to fungal attacks.

**Walnut** (black walnut) is one of the most popular woods for furniture in the U.S. The dimensional stability, shock resistance, strength properties, and the rich coloration are the reasons behind its popularity.