



# PRODUCT DATA SHEET

## ZAR® WOOD STAIN

### DESCRIPTION

ZAR Wood Stain wipes on like furniture polish to add rich, uniform color to wood. Its controlled penetration assures uniform color tone without streaks or lap marks.

ZAR Wood Stain can be applied to all varieties of wood, both unfinished and previously finished, and can be used on surfaces that have been previously painted or varnished to achieve a wood grain effect. ZAR Wood Stain brings out the beauty of wood on interior surfaces such as cabinets, floors, paneling, antiques, doors, wood trim and unfinished furniture. ZAR Wood Stain is available in 19 wood tones plus Country White in half-pints, pints, quarts and gallons. Tint Base is available in quarts and gallons.

**STEEL AND FIBERGLASS DOORS**  
In addition to wood doors, ZAR Wood Stain is excellent for making steel and fiberglass doors look like real wood.

#### FIBERGLASS DOORS

Because fiberglass doors have a wood grain embossed in their surface, ZAR Wood Stain can be used to quickly and easily bring to life the door's real wood look.

### SURFACE PREP NEW WOOD

Make sure the surface is clean and dry. Sand with #120 or #150 grit sandpaper until the surface feels smooth. Remove sanding dust with a tack rag or a cloth dampened with paint thinner.

### APPLICATION

Stir ZAR Wood Stain thoroughly before and during application. Using a clean lint-free cloth, wipe ZAR Wood Stain on evenly in the direction of the grain of the wood. Wipe off excess wood stain using a clean lint-free cloth. Let the stain dry for 3 to 4 hours. If greater depth of color is desired, apply a second coat of ZAR Wood Stain and repeat drying and buffing steps. Allow 3 hours drying time. Protect your stain by top coating with ZAR Polyurethane

#### GRAINING OF PAINTED SURFACES

Remove all dirt, oil, wax, polish and grease with turpentine or suitable solvent. Sand to remove gloss and wipe away sanding dust with a tack rag. Wipe on ZAR Wood Stain with a lint-free cloth, and then use a brush, cloth or graining tool to achieve a wood grain effect. Allow ZAR Wood Stain to dry at least 48 hours before applying a protective coat of ZAR Polyurethane Clear Wood Finish.

Note: Stains and clear finishes will not adhere to shellac or lacquer. They should be removed before refinishing.

### COVERAGE

ZAR Wood Stain covers up to 400 square feet per pint depending on porosity of the wood.

### DIRECTIONS

To apply, you can remove the door from its hinges by removing the hinge pins, or you can work with the door mounted. In either case, make sure the surface is clean and dry before beginning. It is helpful to wipe the surface lightly with a cloth dampened with denatured alcohol or paint thinner to remove dust particles.

Stir ZAR Wood Stain thoroughly. Using a lint free cloth, wipe on a light, uniform coat of ZAR Wood Stain.

Use a dry soft-bristled brush to remove any streaks and enhance the wood grained look of the door. If your first coat is too light, wait 48 hours and wipe on a second coat. As with the first coat, remove any streaks with a dry soft-bristled brush. Do not sand between coats. Sanding can damage the fiberglass surface. After allowing the stain to dry 48 hours, complete the job by applying ZAR Polyurethane Clear Wood finish. For the exterior side of doors exposed to prolonged or extreme sunlight, apply ZAR Exterior Polyurethane. For doors protected by overhangs and porches, and for the inside of doors, apply ZAR Interior Polyurethane. Use a quality, natural bristle brush or use ZAR Polyurethane spray cans. If using a brush, apply a thin coat of ZAR Polyurethane by flowing on the material in the direction of the grain. If using ZAR Polyurethane Spray, apply a thin even coat. Apply a second coat, if needed, after 12 hours. Allow 24 hours drying time before rehang the door.

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### STEEL DOORS

Create a wood grain effect on steel doors with ZAR Wood Stain and the ZAR Wood Graining Tool. ZAR is the only wood stain widely available with enough pigment and body to be used as a graining medium.

### DIRECTIONS

Before you begin to grain your door, practice on a painted metal or painted wood surface until you feel comfortable with the graining tool. When you begin to grain your door, wipe a thin, uniform coat of ZAR Wood Stain on the surface and let stand for about 15 minutes.

Beginning at the top of the surface to be grained, draw the graining tool down, moving it at a constant speed. While drawing the graining tool, use a rocking motion to create a natural heartwood appearance. Do not allow the grooves of the graining tool to flood with stain. If you are not satisfied with your results, wipe off what you have applied using a cloth dampened with mineral spirits and start over.

After allowing at least 48 hours drying time, apply a thin, uniform coat of ZAR Wood Stain over the newly grained surface in the direction of the grain. The darkness of the finish depends on the amount of stain applied. Allow this coat to dry thoroughly for at least 48 hours.

Apply ZAR Polyurethane Clear Wood Finish. For the exterior side of doors exposed to prolonged or extreme sunlight, apply ZAR Exterior Polyurethane. For doors protected by overhangs and porches, and for the inside of doors, apply ZAR Interior Polyurethane. Allow the clear finish to dry for 24 hours before putting the door into service.

For more information on ZAR Wood Stain for doors, write UGL, P.O. Box 70, Scranton, PA 18501 and ask for the ZAR "The Finishing Touch" brochure.

### DANGER

Rags, Steel Wool or Waste Soaked with ZAR Wood Stain may spontaneously catch fire if improperly discarded. Immediately after use, place rags, steel wool or waste in a sealed water-filled metal container.

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