# Woodwash product data sheet

# Location = Exterior

Woodwash Exterior is an opaque penetrating water-based oil. Woodwash Exterior provides a matt finish in a selected colour range. This easy to use water-based formulation is low odour, and low VOC. Water repellant and highly UV resistant, Woodwash Exterior binds the timber fibres, reduces swelling and shrinkage, resists mould, mildew and cracking.

**IMPORTANT:** Preparation is vital. Timber must be clean and sterile, particularly hardwoods and decking. Timbers containing tannin should be tested before proceeding to application for bleeding causing visible staining.

### **Preparation**

Wash the surface with a timber cleaner (oxalic acid) and then rinse with pressure washing to remove mill glaze, sterilize, and open the grain which will aid penetration. New decks / hardwoods should be allowed to weather to reduce surface oils and contaminants before washing. If sanding is required, this should be completed before washing. Further information is available from Murobond or your local stockist.

### **Application**

Woodwash Exterior should be applied by brush, spray (back brushed) or pad on smooth timber, in the direction of the wood grain, maintaining a wet edge. Typically boards are finished in groups of two or three from end to end without splashing on adjacent boards. Panels are completed one at a time to help in maintaining the wet edge.

The longevity of Woodwash Exterior is achieved by screening the timber from UV so it is important that a minimum of 2 coats in areas exposed to weather or direct sunlight.

**Drying** Allow at least overnight drying between coats or before handling coated surfaces. Do not walk on decks for at least 24 hours (48 hours in cold weather).

**Maintenance** Woodwash Exterior on vertical surfaces should be refreshed every 3 to 7 years, depending on exposure. On decks, an annual recoat is recommended. Simply wash the surface and apply one more coat.

### Coverage

3 – 7m2 per litre depending on texture and porosity

### **General Precautions**

**Paint Application** Wet / dry jointing may show so care must be taken to maintain a wet edge. Test for finish and potential tannin staining before proceeding.

**Colour & Tinting** It is the responsibility of the contractor to ensure colour consistency. We recommend ordering sufficient material to complete the project to eliminate the risk of colour variation.

**Temperature** Woodwash Exterior should not be applied where surface or air temperature is below 10°C or above 35°C.

**Initial Protection** Do not walk on coated surfaces within 24 hours (48 hours in cold or highly humid conditions). Mininimise handling and protect the surface from mechanical damage for seven days after application, particularly in colder or more humid conditions. Protect from rain for 24 hours (48hours in cold or highly humid conditions)

Clean Up Water. Do not tip down drains.

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