

Product Information – Air Dried Oak Beams

Oak beams for restoration work

We keep a good stock of Air Dried Oak Beams in desirable sizes that have been seasoned for use in restoration and repair works.



As the Oak seasons it displays natural characteristics such as knots, shakes, cracks and splits and may move out of sawn dimensions down through the length.

The benefit of allowing the Oak Beams to season is that they become harder and more stable with time and therefore more appropriate for use as replacement timbers or when fitted into brick/block work etc.

The stock Beams shown here have been cut to fairly standard dimensions to anticipate future use.

If alternative sizes are required these will be resawn down from larger dimension Beams. In doing so one or more green faces will be exposed which will not only be wetter than the seasoned faces but will also mismatch in colour.

Please ask us for advice if you are unsure whether Air Dried Oak is for you. If it is an appearance of age you are looking for there are ways and means of making Fresh Sawn Oak look weathered!



These images illustrate some of the characteristics of well seasoned Air Dried Oak Beams.

These beams are ready to be used as lintels, wall plates, rafters and joists.



Beware!

When using metal fixings or planing Fresh Sawn Oak please be aware that the acid(tannin) in the timber may corrode some metals and also reacts with any ferrous material to produce a dark blue stain through the timber which is likely to be permanent. Ideally use coated/galvanised metals e.g; stainless steel.