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FSC (Forest Stewardship Council) certified wood is harvested only from well-managed sustainable forests. That means all FSC labeled wood can be accurately traced from its origin to manufacturing to distribution, and to you. The companies that supply FSC wood to your local Home Depot store replenish their forest by diligently replanting trees for your future. Products you may find at your Home Depot store include:

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| Framing Lumber | Boards |
| Plywood | Siding |
| Moulding | Redwood Fencing |
| Doors | Post Caps |

Our Commitment to FSC

What is forest management certification?

The certification of a site-specific on-the-ground forest operation employs best management practices while ensuring the long-term health of the total forest ecosystem.

What forest certification does The Home Depot recognize?

The Home Depot recognizes the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) as a not-for-profit membership organization that advances forest stewardship through certification of forest management practices and marketplace labeling of certified forest products. The Home Depot carries wood harvested under SFI, PEFC and CSA certifications, and others.

What does it require to carry a certified label?

A supplier's wood must be documented as coming from a sustainability managed forest.

What are the benefits of certified products?

Certified forest products are the same products with the same quality as non-certified products yet are labeled as originating from well-managed sustainable forest areas.

What is the chain-of-custody certification?

The certification of an established system creates a paper trail demonstrating that certified materials are kept separate from non-certified materials, and can be accurately tracked maintaining their identity and authenticity throughout the manufacturing and distribution



process. This is particularly important for sensitive regions of the world where illegal logging and unsustainable forestry practices take place.

What are independently certified forest products?

These products originate in forests that have been certified as sustainably well-managed by an independent, third-party certification organization.