

## STEP 3: APPLY THE STAIN

- Although most products are eco-friendly, protect surrounding vegetation with tarps to avoid stained- colored leaves and flowers.
- Remove all: old coatings, dirt, algae, and mildew stains, loose wood fibers and other foreign matter.
- Use stripper, cleaner and/ or wood brightener to restore wood's best, most uniform color. This helps ensure that the final finish has the richest color and strongest stain finish possible. If needed, sand lightly to remove loose wood fibers. Do not use coarse-grit sandpaper.
- Be sure to read all product instructions printed on the can, paying attention to climate and temperature requirements including application and drying time temperature.
- Brush or Pad Application (recommended) apply with the grain. If sprayed (not preferred), back brush/back roll as necessary. Stain entire width of board, entire length of the board.

If no color is desired, apply a waterproofer for protection against Mother Nature.

Regardless of the project or current condition, check out our entire line of products in store and speak with our experts for advice for optimal results this season.

