

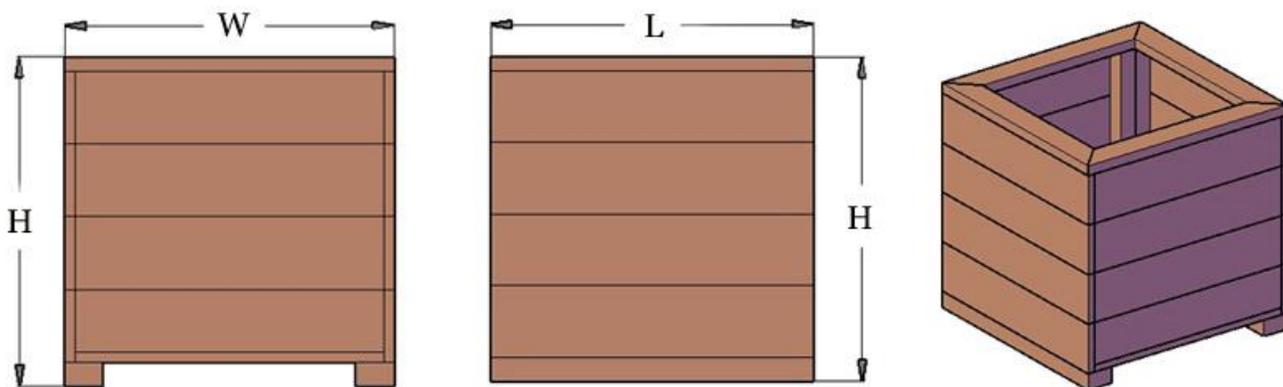
## MENDOCINO PLANTER



The Mendocino Planters are made with thick 3/4" walls. They ship finely finished in 5 parts to quickly re-assemble and begin your gardening.

Planters are measured externally and the internal planting space is 2 to 3 inches less in all directions. For example, because of wall thickness and framing, if you select a box size of 36" L x 18" W x 18" H, your internal soil area will be 34" L x 16" W x 16" H.

Forever Redwood planters ship ready to use. You do not need a liner or special sealants or drainage holes. Just re-assemble the 5 parts and add soil. If you require an exact internal space for any reason, order a box that is at least 2 inches longer in all directions (L x W x H) and in the comment box let us know the exact internal size you'd like. We'll email a confirmation within 2 business days that your exact size request will be made.



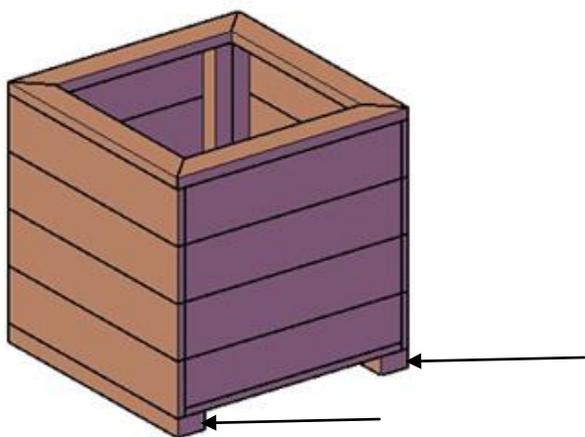
## SITTING LEDGE

You can choose to add a 5 1/2" wide sitting ledge to the top edge of the Sonoma Style planters. A sitting ledge allows you to sit on the planter as you work or just to create a convenient additional seating space for any reason. The seating ledge uses up nearly 2 1/2" inches on both the inside and the outside of the planter and is not available for planter that are less than 24" W wide because they lose too much of the opening at the top for planting. In the photo below, you can see a 96" L x 24" W x 24" H Sonoma Planter with the seating ledge:



## PLANTER BASE

If you'd like to elevate your planter off the ground, you have many choices available. A popular option that is offered at no additional cost is to add a 1 3/4" H foot in both sides. This allows you to hose under the box and keep the area clean.



If you'd like to elevate your box more than 1 3/4", we can add a stand for you for a small additional charge. Stands are available in 6" increments to any size you need. NOTE: To maintain stability for a free standing box, it is best to keep your total box and stand height at or below double the box width. You can exceed double the width stably if you can support and attach the box and stand to a wall or other structure. Below is a typical stable set up that is not attached to a wall (Box & Stand are 30" H combined and box is 18" W):



## CASTERS

You can purchase super-strong casters to add mobility to your box. Casters are rated to handle 350 pounds each and they lock in place. An installed set of 4 Casters is \$79. They are available under the See More Options button for all planter boxes at least 24" wide. Planters 96" and longer require a set of 6 casters to accommodate the extra weight. If you order your planter with casters, they will come attached to the planter.



Castors are 4 3/4" tall. But, we also add a 1 1/4" thick extra support base for them. So, the total height of the planter is increased by 6". When ordering castors, your box will be built with the "no stands or feet" option like in the photo above left. The castors are installed near the 4 corners.

### Trim Option to Hide the Castors

We are often asked if we can partially hide the castors. We can add a 2 1/2" tall trim to cover approximately half the caster height. (Any more than that makes it difficult to lock and unlock the castors). If you choose to add castors to your planter, you can also choose to add this trim for a small extra charge at checkout.



## PLANTER TRELLIS

A beautiful strong trellis is a great way to expand your gardening experience and add privacy. The trellis frames attach securely to the planter wall with stainless steel carriage bolts in 4 places. The trellis frame is 2" x 2" thick and the squares are made approximately 12" on center to allow plants plenty of room to grow. Although the trellis extends to just above ground level, trellis height is measured beginning from the top lip of the planter up. At checkout, you can choose heights between 2' to 5'. Trellis sets for planters over 96"L ship in 2 pieces. As always, if you don't see the size or trellis spacing you'd like, just call or [email us](#) and we'll custom size a trellis to fit your needs. If you already have a plante, we also offer the [trellises as separate kits](#).



## PLANTER FINISHES



**Growing Veggies?** Over the years, some customers have expressed concern about the possibility of getting wood sealant into the soil where they plan to grow food. If you share this concern, let us know. Any planter can be ordered without interior sealant treatment. Just write us a note as you're checking out in the comment box and we will not use our oil-based sealant inside the box. We will seal the box on the outside only. The planter box will not decay for many years without an interior sealant despite the constant moisture because of the high quality wood we insist on using for all our products.

**Redwood is so decay resistant that our planters do not need liners of any kind.** Our planters are built with extra-thick high quality Redwood and fastened with stainless steel bolts and deck screws. There is nothing to decay, nothing to rust. Planter bottoms are elevated one inch off inside the walls for easy drainage. You can add soil directly into the planter box-no pots, interior liners or sealants are necessary. Drainage holes are 1/4-inch round and are scattered generously over the planter bottom. All planter sizes are overbuilt to prevent bulging or sagging.

## FINISH OPTIONS

All our furniture ships finely sanded to 220 grit for a smooth to the touch finish.

The most popular finish is our Transparent Premium Sealant. This sealant leaves your furniture looking natural and helps keep the beautiful wood surface colors from fading for several years. We use Sikkens brand finishes because they are the best finishes on the market.

### Transparent Premium Sealant - Recommended for Outdoors:

Below are the 5 grades of wood we offer with the Transparent Premium Sealant applied. The color tones shown are close representations of the color your furniture will look like. There is no extra charge for the Transparent Premium Sealant:



<b>Redwood</b> (15 yr Warranty)	<b>Mature Redwood</b> (20 yr Warranty)	<b>Old Growth Redwood</b> (30 yr Warranty)	<b>Mosaic Eco-Wood</b> (10 yr Warranty)	<b>Douglas Fir</b> (10 yr Warranty)
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We also offer the Transparent Premium Sealant with the following stains added. There is a small charge for adding these stains:

**Stains with Premium Sealant (Coffee and Cherry):**



**COFFEE STAIN   CHERRY STAIN**

**Unfinished:**

If you are applying your own stain or want the surface color to fade to a "weathered look" in a few months.

**Off-White Oil-Based Primer:**

If you are painting a light color. We apply two coats so that it is ready for one final coat.

**Gray Oil-Based Primer:**

If you are painting a darker color. We apply two coats so that it is ready for the final coat.

**Wax Finish - Recommended for Indoors:**

If your furniture is for indoors, we recommend the Wax finish. Your furniture will ship with 2 coats of Howard's Feed 'N Wax. Without maintenance the finish becomes a beautiful patina. With minimal care, the finish gets richer and more beautiful year after year.

**Custom Stain:**

If you need a specific stain, [let us know](#).