

Personalized Finish Terms

Vanguard offers a broad range of styles consisting of several diverse types of wood species. While we do not limit the species that are available for Personalized Finishes, we do recommend using some finishes over others for certain types of wood species. Please refer to the following matrix for our recommended wood species and finish techniques for each personalized finish option.

PCF Pre-catalyzed lacquer is standard on all Vanguard domestic Personalized Finishes. Vanguard Furniture reserves the right to deny any claim resulting from a deviation from our recommended wood species and finish techniques.

A finish must now be selected when ordering, as a standard finish is no longer assigned per style.

Finish Terms	
Artisan Finishes	Artisan Finishes feature a superior depth and clarity achieved through multiple finish steps and meticulous hand-work. Each Artisan Finish features a waxy, hand-rubbed, durable, pre-catalyzed formula to ensure that the luxurious, silky hand will endure the test of time.
Grain Characteristics	Closed grain woods, like maple, tend to have a smooth texture and wear finishes more evenly. Painted finishes on closed grained woods hide most of the grain pattern. In contrast, open grained woods, like oak, have a more dimensional texture allowing for the hang-up of finishes to highlight the grain pattern. Painted finishes do not typically conceal the full grain pattern of the open grained woods which allows the grain pattern to be visible beneath the finish. Naturally occurring variations in grain patterns cannot be avoided and add the beauty of finished wood.
Metallic Paint Finishes	Metallic Paint Finishes feature metal pigment or metallic flakes that add luster and sparkle to the finish and also serve to accentuate furniture contours.
Paint Finishes	Paint Finishes will have consistent color results, regardless of wood species selected.
Physical Distressing	Physical Distressing provides character and age for finishes designed to have an antique, worn look. The technique is achieved by striking the wood with items such as a chain, rasp, or stone to add dimension to the finish.
Premium Leaf Finishes	Premium Leaf Finishes are created by hand-applying thin sheets of metallic leaf over the wood. A glaze is then added to reflect a soft, metallic glow.
Sheen	Sheen is achieved with several coats of lacquer that are applied and sanded to a smooth final finish. The lacquer can either be a low, medium or high sheen level.
Stain Finishes	Wood Stain Finishes utilize stains to penetrate the wood and grain. Thus, wood species and grain patterns selected can cause actual wood finishes to vary from species to species.
Wire Brushed Finishes	Wire brushing is a texturing technique that gives wood more visual and physical interest. A wire brush is used to wear off the softer, lighter-colored portions of the wood grain while leaving the denser wood behind. This process creates a rich texture that highlights the natural beauty of the patterns in the hardwood. Vanguard has created a series of "Raked" finishes that are designed to complement the texture of wire brushed wood. These finishes are limited to a selection of products that are accented with wire brushed veneer and solids oak and ash species.
Wood Species	Wood Species is the type of fine wood that is the basis of any finish. Each wood species has characteristic grain patterns which are a key determinant in the final finish.

PERSONALIZED FINISHES	WOOD SPECIES										FINISH TECHNIQUES		
	Alder, Cherry	Walnut	Maple, Beech, Rubberwood	Sapeli, Mahogany	African Walnut, Mozambique, Eucalyptus	Primavera	Manchurian Walnut	Mappa Burl <small>Not a true Finish Options will not have physical distressing</small>	Olive Ash Burl <small>Not a true Finish Options will not have physical distressing</small>	Ash, Oak, White Cedar	Paint, Stain or Premium Leaf	Sheen Level	Physical Distressing Level
	GRAIN CHARACTERISTICS												
	CLOSED GRAIN			SLIGHTLY OPEN GRAIN									
Amarone	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes			
Ansell	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Antique Gold Wood	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	leaf	soft gloss	none
Antique Silver Wood	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	leaf	soft gloss	none
Arles	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	matte	light
Ashland	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	matte	none
Avery	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	gloss	none
Barrington	no	no	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	matte	none
Boardwalk Gray	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Brooklands Gray	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Brownstone	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Brushed Linen	no	no	yes	no	no	yes	no	no	no	yes	stain	matte	none
Caramel	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	heavy
Cliffside Gray	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Coventry	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	matte	none
Dark Embers	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Dove Gray	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Dupree	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	metallic paint	soft gloss	none
Eaton	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	gloss	none
Espresso	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	light
Finley	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	matte	none
Flaxen Stone	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	matte	none
Foundry	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
French Gray	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Glossed Amber Leaf	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	leaf	high gloss	none
Glossed Bronze Leaf	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	leaf	high gloss	none
Glossed Silver Leaf	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	leaf	high gloss	none
Hampton	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Harrison Gray	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	matte	none
Havana	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Ivory Dust	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Lace	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Langdon	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	soft gloss	none
Luxe	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	metallic paint	soft gloss	none
Marquis	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	soft gloss	none
Midnight Mink	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	matte	none
Milk Paint	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	soft gloss	none
Mink Wood	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	leaf	gloss	none
Moon Shadow	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	gloss	none
New Linen	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
New Rich Walnut	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	light
Noble Wood	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	leaf	gloss	none
Odessa	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	leaf	gloss	none

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Oiled Java	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Pebble Path	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Picasso Moon	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	metallic paint	soft gloss	none
Promiseland	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	metallic paint	soft gloss	none
Pure White	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Rochester	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	gloss	none
Sea Mist	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Shaded Slate	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Silk Road	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Silver Briar	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	matte	none
Silver Shimmer	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Silverthorne	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Sparrow	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	metallic paint	soft gloss	none
Spice	no	no	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Supreme Walnut	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Sussex	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	stain	matte	none
Terrain	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	matte	none
Weathered Shingle	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	matte	heavy
White Lacquer	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	matte	none
Woodcliff	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	yes	stain	matte	none
Woodland	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	stain	soft gloss	none
Wrenn	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	paint	flat	none