

# NEW Product Alert!

## ENGINEERED WHITE OAK S4S - COMING SOON!

The ability to keep up with White Oak demand continues to be a challenge, particularly when it comes to the wider widths & longer lengths. For several years, millwork manufacturers have competed with the bourbon industry, ie: barrel manufacturing, which utilize tens of millions of board-feet of premium White Oak lumber per year. (To put it in perspective, bourbon production in the state of Kentucky has increased 475% since 1999!)

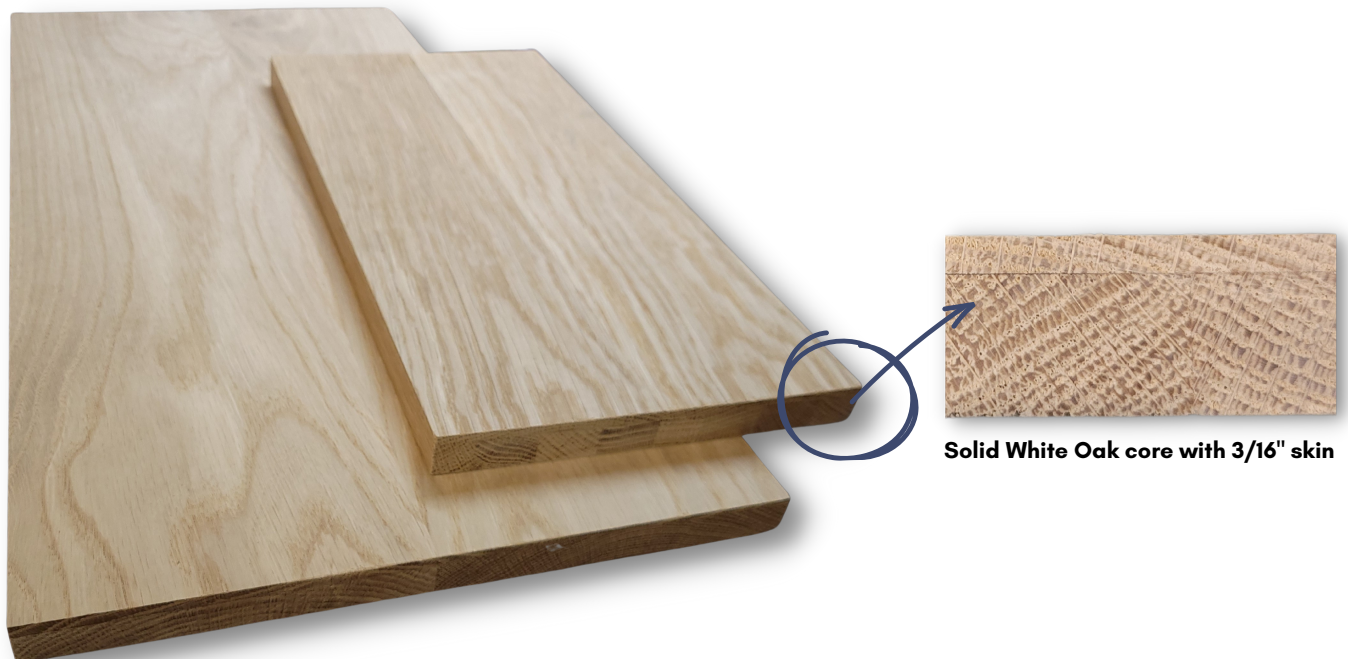
**Instead of continuing to fight this uphill battle, we knew it was time to build a better mousetrap.**

After several months of research and development, we are excited to launch an all-new line of engineered S4S White Oak in widths of 7-1/4", 9-1/4" & 11-1/4" with lengths up to 16' long. (*Yes, you read that correctly, up to 16' long!*)

Remaining inventory on the solid White Oak (in 7-1/4", 9-1/4" & 11-1/4") is limited. Our inventory will transition to the new engineered product as current inventory is depleted. Provided that raw materials are available, we will accept orders for the solid White Oak S4S at current pricing up until December 13, 2023. After that time, these items will become special order and priced accordingly.

See page 25 in our online Stock Moulding price book for pricing on these new items. [We anticipate availability of this product starting the week of December 11th.](#)

The following page contains a list of FAQ's that should help answer any questions you may have. Please don't hesitate to contact your outside sales representative with any additional questions.



Solid White Oak core with 3/16" skin



## FAQ's

### ENGINEERED WHITE OAK S4S

#### **What is engineered White Oak S4S?**

It is an S4S product that is produced by resawing a White Oak board into thin lamellas, or "skins", and then edge-gluing those same skins together on top of an edge-glued White Oak core.

#### **Is this a veneered product?**

No. Both the substrate and the face are milled from lumber, with the faces measuring approximately 3/16" thick and the substrate measuring approximately 9/16" thick.

#### **Are both faces good?**

No. There is a face side and a back side.

#### **What sizes are available in engineered White Oak S4S?**

- 3/4" x 7 -1/4" x 8' - 16'
- 3/4" x 9 -1/4" x 8' - 16'
- 3/4" x 11 -1/4" x 8' - 16'

#### **Can I get engineered White Oak S4S in custom widths?**

No. Depending on the width needed, and how you are using it, you may be able to rip down our stock product to a narrower width to achieve your desired width.

#### **Will you continue to stock the solid White Oak S4S in 7-1/4", 9-1/4", and 11-1/4"?**

No. The engineered product was developed because we've been unable to consistently source the raw material to produce the wide widths with the necessary clarity to achieve a millwork grade. We do not foresee the raw material supply improving in the near future so we are discontinuing the solid White Oak S4S as a stock item.

#### **Can I special order the solid White Oak S4S like you used to make?**

Possibly. We will attempt to accumulate any wide White Oak lumber that comes through our plant, but how much (if any) we will have at any given time is unknown. Please check availability with your ISR if you need solid White Oak in widths wider than 5-1/2".

#### **Can I get profiles other than S4S in engineered White Oak?**

No, this product is only offered in our stock S4S widths of 7-1/4", 9-1/4" & 11-1/4". Having a glued-up substrate would result in glue lines showing up in a milled profile, creating a look that would not be aesthetically pleasing.